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AROK vs DOC

WHO PAYS?

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

ST GEORGE's Frank Arok, has challenged Sydney Olympic's Tommy Docherty to a bet of a dinner for SIX on next Sunday's match between Saints and Olympic, at St George Stadium.

A strange wager by Arok, considering that in the past three matches, the Saints have copped no fewer than eight goals to shatter their excellent defensive record.

Adding to Arok's woes is the fact that he will face Sydney Olympic without two of his star players, left-back, Robbie O'Shea, and centre-back, Michael O'Shea. Both are serving suspensions.

Arok said last night: "Sydney Olympic have always been well received at the St George Stadium, and now they have made it their home for the remainder of this season, they will be feeling right at home."

"It will be a battle between two coaches," Arok added. "...and there are no prizes for guessing which coach Arok thinks will win!"

Sydney Olympic have not lost at St George Stadium since 1978, but they, too, will be without one of their stars.

Marshall Soper, Olympic's ace goalscoring captain, will miss the match after being booked last Sunday to bring his total

disciplinary points above 12.

Soper is the NSL's top goalscorer, having hit the target 11 times.

Olympic's crack midfielder, Peter Katholos, is expected to slot into a striking position to plug-up Soper's position and partner Olympic's target man, Steve Paterson.

Whenever these two teams clash, they put on a spectacular exhibition of Soccer. St George although outplayed in the first round by Olympic, won 1-2 at Pratten Park.

Docherty's boys will be seeking revenge for this loss. After their excellent 3-0 win last Sunday against Heidelberg, again at the St George Stadium, Sydney Olympic are back in the top four and riding on a wave of confidence.

When Docherty heard of Arok's challenge for a six-person dinner, the Scot quipped: "That's terrific. I feel hungry, ready to enjoy the free meal!"

Referee for this match — one of the most attractive games of the whole season — will be Tony Boskovic.

WHO TOOK BOAT?

ASKS PHIL MURPHY

FAIRY Meadow officials have lost their rowboat.

They have been using the boat to retrieve balls from the creek which runs alongside their Police Boys' Oval Ground.

It has been in use for a number of years and has become a feature at the ground.

Strangely it disappeared when Fairy Meadow loaned their ground to Wollongong United when they played Rockdale.

United secretary Chris Tupacevski said his club has nothing to do with the disappearance.

His Fairy Meadow counterpart Walter Chichkan is keeping his eyes open for United supporters fishing in a bright blue rowboat on Lake Illawarra.



Marshall Soper is mobbed by Sydney Olympic's young fans after scoring his team's third goal against Heidelberg. Soper will not enjoy similar adulation next Sunday. ...he's been suspended and will miss the big St George v Olympic match.

YOUTH STAR GOES HOME

BY TOM MCKAIN

NEIL BANFIELD, Adelaide City's star sweeper, is going back to England at the end of next month.

The former England Youth international says he can get job security in England, and will play for Enfield in the Alliance League.

"On a long-term basis, I see no future for me in Australia," said Banfield.

"At the moment, a job is the most important thing for me."

Banfield first came to Australia in 1981 when he was a member of England's squad for the World Youth Championship.

Neil Banfield



EDITORIAL

EVER since migration on a large scale was introduced to Australia — and that was many years ago — there has been bitter controversy over the names of Soccer clubs.

Italian migrants started clubs here. They introduced names like Juventus, Azzuri or Marconi. The Greek clubs adopted names like Hellas or Hellenic. The Yugoslavians called their clubs Beograd, Red Star, Croatia and so forth.

There was nothing wrong with all this. It enabled the new Australians to retain some link with their homelands and, in many instances, the ethnic Soccer clubs attracted very good crowds to their matches.

Unfortunately, it also erected a barrier between "new" and "old" Australians.

With all the leading teams bearing foreign names, Soccer became known as an ethnic sport. It was unkindly labelled "wog ball." It was the sport for migrants — the sport from which local-born Aussies were largely excluded.

Without doubt, the locals resented this enormously. The game of Soccer, imported from Britain by their ancestors virtually with the first fleet, had been taken over by latter day "intruders" from the European continent.

Administrators, revealing more vision than is their normal habit, decided something had to be done.

So when the National League was formed in 1977, a strict rule was laid down that Australian names had to be worn by the clubs.

Only one, Marconi, escaped the edict. Marconi were needed in the new PSL (later the NSL) so the rule was bent to allow them to retain their name.

It was not similarly bent for APIA, forced to adopt the district name of Leichhardt against their wishes.

So much for the brief history lesson.

The ethnic names issue, however, is once again topical as the NSL seeks to increase its numbers by skimming the cream off State Leagues.

Two of the candidates from New South Wales are Croatia and Melita.

Croatia have made it very clear they will never drop their ethnic title. No doubt Melita feel the same.

So what will the NSL do? Clearly it will bend its rules once again. Because it is expedient. It needs Croatia — even if the team is called Croatia!

If Soccer does go ahead with its 24-team competition, including a team called Croatia, how will the other 23 clubs react? Most are ethnic-based. Be sure Leichhardt will want to be called APIA. Competition leaders Preston wish to introduce their Makedonia name. And, heaven forbid, we may even have three or four teams claiming the name Hellas.

Many Soccer followers in this country see no harm in a National League made up almost entirely of foreign-named teams. Indeed some would applaud such a move.

Their constant argument, and it is, on the surface, valid, is that ethnic clubs attract good crowds while Australian clubs pull in poor attendances.

Yet, when we look at the long-term future of the sport in this country — let us hope it does have a future — a large swing towards the ethnic communities will ultimately do far more harm than good.

Such a swing would be strongly resented by the people who might be called fair dinkum Aussies.

It would antagonise probably 70 per cent of Australia's sporting public while keeping the other 30 per cent happy.

That would be a heavy price to pay.

The ball is now in the court of people like Sir Arthur George, Sam Papasavas, Tony Labbozzetta and Stefan Kamasz.

Croatia's dogged determination, which we do not criticise, to retain their ethnic name poses the sort of problem which can only be sorted out by intelligent administration of the highest level.

AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY will watch developments keenly — as will every lover of Soccer in Australia.

JIM AIMS TO WIN WITH 50



BY GREG RUSSELL

Jim Hermiston

FORMER National League Player of the Year, Jim Hermiston believes he will have failed in his first year as Brisbane City coach if his side does not finish the season with 50 points.

With 10 games remaining, the Gladiators are still about 20 points off the target, but Hermiston firmly believes the side has the talent to reach the total.

"If a team has the ability, it is up to a coach to motivate them and bring out that ability," Hermiston said.

After a strong start to the season that saw Brisbane City climb to the top of the table, they have hit a patch of indifferent form and dropped outside the top four.

"I want to finish inside the top four. I am sure we can do it because our remaining games are mostly against teams lower than us," Hermiston said. One of those games the

quietly spoken Scotsman wants to win more than any other is next weekend's derby clash with Lions.

Lions caused one of the upsets of the first round when they toppled the fancied Gladiators 4-0 at Richlands.

A verbal exchange between Hermiston and Lions coach Simon Kistemaker after the match resulted in a bucket of water incident.

Kistemaker has not forgotten the dousing and is determined to walk off the stadium as the victor again.

"This time I might wear my raincoat," Kistemaker said, kicking off what is certain to be an intense psychological battle between the two coaches.

NATIONAL LEAGUE RESULTS

CANBERRA ARROWS 2: (Bryant 2) BRISBANE CITY 0. At Bruce Stadium. Crowd: 2,223
 SYDNEY CITY 1 (Kosmina), NEWCASTLE 0. At Gosford. Crowd: 3,121.
 WEST ADELAIDE 0 PRESTON 0. At Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 1,700.
 FOOTSCRAY 1 (Paton), ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Dods). At Schintler Reserve. Crowd: 1,000.
 BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Stewart), WOLLONGONG 2 (Cotton, O'Connor). At Richlands. Crowd: 250
 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (Soper 2, Paterson), HEIDELBERG 0. At St George Stadium. Crowd: 3,924.
 MARCONI 4. (Djordjevic 2, Brown, Sermanni) ST GEORGE 0. At Marconi Oval. Crowd: 3,798.
 STH MELBOURNE 1 (Brown), LEICHHARDT 0. At Middle Park. Crowd: 4,000.

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE TABLE

TEAMS	AGGREGATE						HOME			AWAY		
	P	W	D	L	FA	PI	W	D	L	FA	PI	PI
1. PRESTON	20	11	7	2	34-16	40	8	2	0	22-7	26	3 5 2 12-9 14
2. SYDNEY CITY	20	11	5	4	30-22	38	8	3	0	19-5	27	3 2 4 11-17 11
3. NEWCASTLE	20	10	3	7	31-18	33	5	3	3	13-7	18	5 0 4 18-11 15
4. SYDNEY OLYMPIC	20	9	4	7	30-20	31	4	2	3	15-8	14	4 2 4 15-12 17
5. LEICHHARDT	20	9	2	9	33-26	29	7	1	2	22-9	22	2 1 7 11-17 7
6. MARCONI	20	8	5	7	33-28	29	5	2	3	19-15	17	3 3 4 14-13 12
7. ST GEORGE	20	7	8	5	22-19	29	4	4	1	11-7	16	3 4 4 11-12 13
8. STH. MELBOURNE	20	8	5	7	26-28	29	4	3	4	14-14	15	4 2 3 12-14 14
9. CANBERRA	20	8	4	8	35-30	28	6	3	1	23-10	21	2 1 7 12-20 7
10. BRISBANE CITY	20	7	7	6	25-32	28	4	4	2	17-15	16	3 3 4 8-17 12
11. FOOTSCRAY	20	6	6	8	17-32	24	4	3	3	11-17	15	2 3 5 6-15 9
12. WEST ADELAIDE	20	5	8	7	17-24	23	4	4	4	13-15	16	1 4 3 4-9 7
13. ADELAIDE CITY	21	6	4	11	23-27	22	3	2	4	10-11	11	3 2 7 13-16 11
14. HEIDELBERG	20	5	7	8	20-26	22	5	1	3	13-7	16	0 6 5 7-19 6
15. BRISBANE LIONS	20	5	3	12	26-42	18	5	0	5	18-16	15	0 3 7 8-26 3
16. WOLLONGONG	21	2	10	9	28-40	16	0	7	3	12-15	7	2 3 6 16-25 9

GRANT TURNER IN MORE TROUBLE

BY STUART BURNS

GRANT TURNER, who was last week named in the New Zealand national squad, has said he deliberately set out to get himself sent off in his last appearance for Christchurch Mogal United.

He was ordered off by referee, Arthur Edwards, during United's loss to Manurewa for using foul language.

Although he did not appear before the Canterbury Football Association Judicial committee, Turner sent a letter to the meeting in which he admitted setting out to be ordered off.

The contents of the letter, which have now been made public, state that Turner apologised to the committee, and asked for "a little sympathy" because he wanted to return to Gisborne for personal reasons.

Turner spoke to the referee BEFORE the match and told him he was going to be sent from the field!

The judicial committee's decision was to suspend Turner for three playing days. This now clears the way for Gisborne City to approach Christchurch Mogal United in a transfer deal which will be beneficial to both parties.

Coach Kevin Fallon, who is in control at Gisborne, would not comment on the "arrange-

ment".

The way Turner has gone about his dismissal has stunned the Soccer public in New Zealand.

Earlier in the season, Turner was suspended for one playing day. On the first occasion he was leniently treated by the CFA. It ruled the one-day ban Turner automatically received for his dismissal against Papatoetoe in April which lifted his penalty points to 20, was sufficient.

Turner has been no dismissed twice during his stormy four-month spell with United. He has been sent off five times in the National League in the last three seasons, giving him the worst disciplinary record in the competition's history.

Whilst he has severed his connections with United and is training with Gisborne, NZ coach Alan Jones has named him in the squad to play two warm-up games against Fiji in early August.

Turner had a brief spell in Australia with South Melbourne but fell out with the club.



Grant Turner



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MELITA'S MESSAGE

Melita Eagles, one of the NSW State League clubs vitally affected by any change in the National League set-up, produced a strong, sensible, editorial in their magazine recently.

AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY reprints that article because we believe it has an important message for everyone interested in the code of Soccer.

Here it is:



RUDI GETS 'RED CARD'

THAT amazing character, Rudi Gutendorf, has bobbed up once again — this time in Fiji, preparing the national team for the Pacific Games reports JOHN FIELD.

The former Australian national coach was told, last week, to get out of Fiji within 48 hours because he had no legitimate work permit.

It seems Gutendorf was allowed into Fiji on a temporary permit but when the date expired, it was not renewed.

Not only was Rudi given the "red card" but he was also informed he wouldn't be allowed back into the country for the next 12 months.

It goes without saying that the German coach did not take kindly to such treatment.

"I am a coach. I am not a ball-boy. I cannot be treated this way," he protested.

The coaching fraternity throws up many strange characters but it's doubtful if there has ever been anyone quite like Rudi Gutendorf.

When Rudi was appointed coach of Australia after the 1978 World Cup in Argentina, it was stated in a British magazine that he had filled something like 20 jobs in 25 years.

This suggests that, whatever failings he may have, he remains a com-

modity in great demand all over the world.

In Australia, he had little success, yet he is still highly regarded by many people who should know his capabilities.

Dettmar Cramer, perhaps the best-known coach in the world, would not hear one word spoken against Rudi when we chatted in Madrid last year.

Said Cramer: "Rudi Gutendorf is a very good Soccer coach. You have my word for that. He failed in Australia because he was troubled by domestic matters."

When he coached the Socceroos, Gutendorf's biggest problem was getting the national team players onside.

They resented his methods and, on one memorable occasion on Australia's world tour, several players were on the point of mutiny.

Like him or hate him, nobody can ignore a man called Rudi Gutendorf.

The balmy Pacific island of Fiji has now had a taste of Rudi, culminating in last week's remarkable case of the Government order that he must leave.



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We must unite the code

THIS is indeed an important weekend for Soccer in Australia. It could be the beginning of a new horizon or the continuous story of confusion, petty jealousies and narrow mindedness. Soccer like any other code has to face reality. Today's generation are demanding more of everything. Unless we can deliver, soccer will continue to struggle.

National League or Super League are two phrases being abused. We at Melita Eagles believe that the foremost long term task of our administrators must be to unite the code. It is fragmented and hopelessly confusing with little Cessars trying to build shaky empires.

The present conflict in New South Wales between the Amateur Association and our Federation is an epitome of the history of soccer in this State. Would you believe that Melita Eagles the only State 1st Division Soccer Club in the Municipality of Parramatta has been refused entry into the local junior competition for the last three seasons. This you might argue, is only a small matter but nonetheless highlights the lack of foresight at grass roots level.

Uniting the code should be our operative phrase, be it at amateur or national level. Super State League can only be the very beginning but certainly not the cure for all the soccer ills. Soccer in this country is a sleeping giant and there are many who would like to see it slumber for ever.

We all talk about the lure of big sponsors. Let us put our house in order first, sponsors will come as they cannot ignore us if we are united. On the short term front we appeal for sanity before all clubs including the top ones in State Leagues go broke. At present all roads lead to self-destruction. Our administrators will, in not too distant future, seek out clubs only to find that they have gone to the wall.

Solutions must be found today. Tomorrow will be too late. If we take off the blinkers, prejudices, personality clashes and stubbornness there is still hope. It is too much to ask to save this greatest code of all?

KIWIS GO TO FIJI

BY STUART BURNS

TWO internationals will be played against Fiji by the New Zealand team in

the first of a series of build-up matches towards the Olympic qualifying series beginning in September.

Key players left out are Wynton Rufer, New Zealand's key attacker who was unavailable, and Adelaide City's Glen Dods.

Biggest worry for national coach, Alan Jones, has been the failure of the side to score goals in the President's tournament in

South Korea. New Zealand was able to muster only three goals from four matches.

The last time these two teams met New Zealand inflicted a world record 13-0 hammering on the hapless Fijians at Mt Smart, Auckland.

The Olympic qualifying programme begins on September 25 against Japan at Mt Smart, and then China-Taipei six days later, also at Mt Smart.

Steve Wooddin from South Melbourne, is brought back in an effort to get more goals. Alan Boath, Christchurch Mogal United, has been made certain over Steve Sumner, the leading goalscorer in the Rothmans League with 10 goals.

Squad for Fiji: Frank Van Hattum, Barry Pickering, Alan Boath (capt.), Steve Sumner, Grant Turner, Glen Adam, Ron Armstrong, Ricki Herbert, Duncan Cole, Steve Wooddin, Keith McKay, Peter Henry, Adrian Elrick, Ken Cresswell and Billy McClure.

ST GEORGE B.S.C. Vs SYDNEY OLYMPIC

★ SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 ★

ST GEORGE STADIUM

KICK-OFF 3PM

EARLY MATCH N.S.L. YOUTH LEAGUE

ST GEORGE Vs SYDNEY OLYMPIC — 1PM



FRANK AROK



JOHN O'SHEA



DAVID RATCLIFFE



DEZ MARTON



TOMMY DOCHERTY



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JOHN DJORDJEVIC finally received his chance and he took it with open arms as Marconi raced away to a 4-0 result at St George's expense at Marconi Stadium.

It was a day on which Marconi hammered in their chances, but St George's - mainly in the first half - were extinguished by goalkeeper Bruce James and a masterly defence.

Djordjevic gave no early indication that he could turn the course of the game, but once his confidence was boosted there was no stopping him.

He netted his first goal right on half-time and added another in the 77th minute after Saints defender Mike O'Shea had

been sent off for a second offence in which he grabbed Rod Brown around the waist not far outside the Saints' area.

Fists clenched and arms raised, Djordjevic sprinted along the sideline to salute the crowd after each goal. On the second occasion he ended his demonstration in front of his coach Doug Collins, who had left him out of the side on many occasions this year.

It was the first time that Djordjevic had put it all together this year. No

MARCONI SHOCK ST GEORGE

St George defender who faced him could cope with his galloping runs.

The first half was relatively even, with the Saints unable to take the chances they made.

St George opened with

BY KEITH GILMOUR

some nice close passing skills. Wilkinson sent past the post and then Robbie Slater's low cross was brilliantly cut out to James at full stretch.

Rene Licata had a hand

in three goals and on two occasions he laid on the pass. For Djordjevic's first goal he crossed from the left; Greedy had to touch it away and Djordjevic transferred it back into the goal.

James was perfectly placed to block a Dez Marton shot after half-time and then came a delightful Rod Brown goal.

Licata cut the ball back before it disappeared over the goal-line and Brown bounced it over Terry Greedy.

The Saints' goose was cooked when James saved point blank from Peter Stone. Mike O'Shea was ordered off by referee Roger Davies for his foul on Brown.

Actually the yellow cards went two to Mike, one to Robert and one to John.

The final Marconi goal came when Tom Serman

ni flicked in a Licata cross with his head. Sermann had lost possession in a great run through the centre in the same play but he was on hand to finish the move after Djordjevic had put Licata in possession.

MARCONI: James, Bozanic, Rizzotto, McCulloch, Henderson, Calderan, Carbone, Sermann, Brown, Djordjevic, Licata (Hunter 87).

ST GEORGE: Greedy, Skeen, R.O'Shea, Barton, Ratcliffe, M.O'Shea (sent off), Slater, Stone, Wilkinson, J.O'Shea, Marton (Petkovski 69).

REFEREE: R.Davies.

CROWD: 3,798.

PRESTON PLAN MISFIRES

Not a goal to be seen

PRESTON'S play-safe tactics backfired as far as three points were concerned against West Adelaide at Hindmarsh Stadium, where the League leaders had to be content with a nil-all draw.

They came and saw and grabbed a 1-0 win from Adelaide City the previous week, but the break they were looking for didn't materialise last Sunday.

The closest they came was in the 25th minute of the first half when West goalkeeper, Gary Sproul, had to have two dives to

BY TOM MCKAIN

stop Claude Lucchesi scoring.

At the other end of the park, a cross from West's George Calandaris was lobbed neatly by Graham Heys' head, but Richard Wilson in the Preston goal, a hero against City, made a falling save and the danger was past.

In the second half, West fans almost fell out of the stands when Graham Honeyman playing as a central striker in place of Paul Wormley, who is being sent home to England by the club, curved a low ball from the right, only to see Wilson grab it between his feet.

Calandaris was fielded for Wormley up front, but on a wing, while Tim Brown came in for midfielder, Mickey Brennan who was suspended for three games by the club for giving a "signal" to fans who had been jeering him in the Newcastle match.

Preston looked a stronger team than against City, with Lucchesi back after flu, and George McMillan returning from suspension.

But in the Robbie Dunn-Lucchesi duel, it was the West centre-back who came off best, apart from that one chance when Sproul thwarted the Preston striker.

McMillan provided plenty of adventure from midfield but finished up

front from the 32nd minute when he had to replace Gary Ward who



Graham Honeyman

came off injured.

Zoran Ilioski, came on as substitute replacing McMillan in midfield.

Apart from Lucchesi and McMillan, George Campbell again looked good on either wing for Preston, while Graham Heys gave Wests the same service.

While the home team didn't lose, it was another draw they didn't need with fans staying away in droves.

Preston would be happy with the draw but not the yellow cards from referee Tony Martell who booked George Todorovski for a tackle on Honeyman, and McMillan for a foul on Brenton Hiern, his shadow for the afternoon.

On the other side, Honeyman was booked for fouling David Jones.

WEST ADELAIDE: Sproul: Papazoglou, Amey, Dunn, Hiern, Doorne, Atsalas, Brown, Heys, Calandaris, Honeyman.

PRESTON: Wilson: Opasinas, Flavell, McMillan, Jones, Todorovski, Campbell, Lucchesi, Farrell, Odzakov, Ward (Ilioski 32).

REFEREE: T. Martell.

CROWD: 1,896.

OSCAR MAGIC

By Con Nikolopoulos

SOUTH MELBOURNE kept their tails up with an impressive 1-0 win over Leichhardt, at Middle Park.

Souths kept Leichhardt under siege for most of the match and if it wasn't for the brilliant goalkeeping by Parkes, their forwards would have found the target repeatedly.

Parkes bounced rubber-like in front of his goal and smothered a number of shots from Egan, Brown and Murphy.

Souths' dominance bore fruit in the 63rd minute when Charlie Egan possessed centre-back Gray and burst forward inside Parkes area. Unselfishly the wizard squared the ball to incoming Doug Brown who placed it in the net.

Apart from Crino, the other attraction for the 4,000 strong crowd was Sharne. Although Sharne was not given much opportunity by Souths' solid defence he managed to show his talents every time he was in control of the ball.

Sharne told me after the match: "Australian Soccer has deteriorated in the two years I've been away and from what I've seen so far, most NSL clubs have not got the players to attract the crowds."

Sharne also said, he is open to offers from Australian clubs.

That win stretched their unbeaten record to five games in a row, and kept alive their hopes for a berth in the top four.

It was the Oscar Crino magic that helped Souths dominate the game and generate a multitude of scoring chances that could have increased a winning margin to a dozen goals.

Crino, single-handed, demolished the opposition with his relentless sprints upfield, skilful footwork and accurate ball distribution in the middle of the park.

But although Crino dominated with his brilliant skills, it was team mate Carl Halford who did most of the spade work destroying and prompting effectively.

Leichhardt appeared somewhat

lethargic in the opening quarter of the match thus enabling Souths to take control in spite of the fact that Souths were battling against the wind.

Leichhardt collapsed in the midfield and starved their strikers of the ball thus making easier Souths task of containing Sharne, Valeri and Bradley.

Peter Sharne suffered the most from this ball-drought.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets: Russell, Xanthopoulos, Blair, Davidson, Halford, Crino, Murphy, Yzen-doorn, Brown, Egan.

LEICHHARDT: Parkes: Carter, Brown, Bottalico, Gray, Butler, Bradley, Morsello, Valeri, Tredinnick, Sharne.

REFEREE: S.Mellings.

CROWD: 4,000.

Oscar Crino STAR



DODS GETS LATE GOAL FOR CITY

BY HARRY HALL

SECOND HALF substitute, Glen Dods, scored a memorable goal to salvage Adelaide City one point against Footscray at Melbourne's Schintler Reserve.

Dods perfectly exploited a defensive mix-up five minutes before full time and hammered the ball into the net thus denying Footscray the opportunity to add another three points to their tally.

City dominated throughout the first quarter and pounded Boland's goal from all directions, but failed to find the target.

Against the run of play Footscray's striker, Jamie Paton, back from a week's rest, connected with a square pass from Ian Purdie and blasted the ball into the net from outside the box.

Adelaide City missed a brilliant opportunity to level the score after 35 minutes, when Carter shot narrowly wide with only Boland to beat.

As the match progressed, Adelaide tightened their grip on the midfield and mounted a number of attacks that went astray.

Footscray paid the penalty for becoming complacent in the last 20 minutes, exposing their goal. Carter and Melta repeatedly broke away from the defence but failed in their final effort.

Indicative of Footscray's complacency towards the end of the game was the defensive blunder which enabled Dods to latch himself on the ball and blast it in the net.

Both coaches after the game complimented their players, indicating that a drawn result was fair.

Particularly pleased was City's Bob Ferguson, who confessed after the match that his team had visited Melbourne with a set plan to fight for a draw.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland, McDowell, Hazabent, Kyriakoulas, Tutill, Belic, Curovic, Purdie (Carroll 70), Paton, O'Donnell, Lujic.

ADELAIDE CITY: McNally: Cole, Nyskohus, Banfield, Flounders, Melta, Carter, Blair, Mullen, Rankin, Maxwell (Dods 73).

REFEREE:

CROWD: 1,500.





Midfielders battle in the Olympic-Heidelberg game. Jim Patikas steers the ball away from Jim Campbell.

SOPER THE HERO AND VILLAIN!

BY TOM ANDERSON.

THE enigma that is Marshall Soper dominated the outstanding 3-0 victory by Olympic over Heidelberg at St George Stadium.

With two goals to his credit Soper was the hero of the hour yet ended the villain of the piece.

His goals were a touch of magic — the first a close in-effort in the 16th minute and the second a magnificent display of guts and determination in the 79th minute.

Both put the Olympic supporters into their seventh heaven and in Soper they have a hero whom they idolise.

But as almost always happens, the highly talented player blotted his copy book with antics that would be more in place at a circus than a football stadium.

He incited the crowd to near-violence and picked up a yellow card that will collect him a one-match suspension and put him

out of the important clash against St George next Sunday.

It is little wonder that Olympic coach Tommy Docherty is completely perplexed over this complex character.

When he sticks to playing Soccer, Marshall Soper is a marvellous striker and has gifts that many other players would give a fortune to have.

But when he turns on the tantrums, he's a manager's nightmare and a handicap to his team.

Olympic won this game well and indeed showed their best form for many weeks on the good playing surface at St George Stadium.

The other goal of the match was scored by big striker Steve Paterson, a player Soper might look at as an example.

Big Steve's been through the mill in top British Soccer. Not only is he a fine player but a complete example of how a professional should conduct himself.

Olympic looked a fine team.

Heidelberg were a big disappointment and played only in patches.

They have a number of young players in key posi-

tions, not ready for the NSL fray yet.

On Sunday's display there will need to be a great deal of patience shown by the Heidelberg fans for the remainder of the season.

OLYMPIC: Meier; Coady, Herbert, Dakos, Jennings; Rogers,

"Marshall Soper is picking up the wrong sort of points from referees."

Katholos, Phillips; Soper, Paterson, Patikas.

HEIDELBERG: Olvar; McKie, McLeod, Yankos, Tansey; Spanos, Selemides, Campbell; Lea, Cole, Peterson (Angele 75m).

REFEREE: Doug Rennie. CROWD: 3,924.

SLICK SLICKERS

BY JOHN MCGHEE

SYDNEY CITY were on top for most of the time in their vital premiership battle against Newcastle KB United at Gosford...even though the Slickers only won by 1-0.

The experiment of taking the match to the Central Coast paid off quite well at the gate where the official crowd was given as 3,121 — and that is many more people than Slickers normally attract.

But on the debit side, Sydney City players were not at all happy about the playing surface at Grahame Park.

It was terribly bumpy and was, in fact, described by coach Eddie Thomson as one of the worst football pitches he had seen.

This meant the crowd pleasing Soccer of which Sydney City are so proud, was rarely seen. Thomson said his team would have given Newcastle a hiding if the game had been at the Sydney Athletic Field.

"I haven't any regrets about taking this game to Gosford, though," said the Slickers coach.

Team secretary Paul Bayutti added: "We are quite satisfied with the result and with the attendance. I believe the people of Gosford got value for money."

The only goal of the game came very early — after only two minutes.

Scorer was John Kosmina, who headed in a 40 metres pass from Ian Souness. The Soccerroo skipper was not

marked by any KB defender at the time.

Newcastle had only one real goal-scoring chance...14 minutes from full-time.

It fell to Englishman Bob Mountford. His header looked goal bound but goalkeeper Tony Pezzano flung out his hand to make a front page save.

Afterwards, KB coach Ken Kaiser said: "I didn't think Pezzano had a ghost of a chance of saving that header." Kaiser also said: "Sydney City scored before our players had settled down."

Now the ambitious Eddie Thomson is taking his side on the road to the NSL championship, convinced the Gosford result has ended Newcastle's title challenge.

The much-praised KB centre-forward David Lowe had a miserable afternoon, mainly due to a fine marking job by Alex Robertson.

While Robertson was doing such a capable job on Lowe, Steve O'Connor was similarly making sure Mountford's threat was well muzzled.

There might have been more goals if the players on both sides had been able to handle the playing surface better.

SYDNEY CITY: Pezzano, Cant, Robertson, O'Connor, Souness, Gomez, Watson (de Marigny 75), Barnes, Borges, Kosmina, Murray.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling, Maier, Burke, Watson, Tredinnick, Kerby, Senkalski, Mason, Jones, Lowe, Mountford.

REFEREE: P.Ramplsey. CROWD: 3,121.

BRYANT IS MAN OF THE MATCH

By Steve Burns

BRISBANE CITY, superb in build-up but appalling near goal, succumbed to the better-finishing Canberra Arrows, 2-0 at the Bruce Stadium, with Canberra's Steve Bryant easily the Man of the Match.

Bryant scored both Canberra's goals.

It was the second — just 11 minutes after the turn around — that really broke Brisbane's back.

In a Soccer rarity it came direct from a corner-kick.

Bryant took a well-placed inswinger and although it was a good two feet under the bar, somehow Brisbane's otherwise rock-like goalkeeper, Kim Wishart, mistimed his punch to fist the ball into his net.

Bryant's first goal came after nine minutes — from the penalty spot.

Brisbane's full-back, Frank Liddell, upended the wiry midfielder inside the penalty area and the referee, Bob Mee, had no hesitation in awarding the penalty which Bryant converted.

And with the League ladder so desperately tight, this was a win and three points Canberra needed.

Yet Brisbane's seventh place on the ladder was easily appreciated when one saw their superb ar-

tistry and creativity in general build-up play.

Territorially, Brisbane took 65 per cent of the game.

Their obvious weakness, (and their seven goal for and against tally proves it), is their inability to convert territorial supremacy into goals.

They missed top goalscorer Bobby Hamilton who was sidelined with a knee injury, but apart from a couple of efforts in each half, rarely looked like scoring.

Canberra, however, were dangerous, particularly in the final 20 minutes.

In this period, their play flowed smoothly and the unluckiest man on the park was Frank Farina.

Inside 60 seconds, Farina sent in two cracking shots only to have Wishart make super saves.

Wishart and sweeper Steve Perry, were Brisbane City's best players with Bryant, Farina and full-back, John Walsh excelling for Canberra.

CANBERRA ARROWS: Hoszowski: Young, Murray (Stone 53), Walsh, Ambrosino, Cole, Bryant, Gibson, Farina, Redmond, McLaren.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart: Caird, Liddell, Perry, Wilkinson, Fabrizio, Pimblett, Bromfield, Glockner, Falco, Hughes.

REFEREE: B.Mee. CROWD 2,223.

O'CONNOR'S CLINCHER

BY GREG RUSSELL

A LAST minute goal by Phil O'Connor gave Wollongong a 2-1 win over Brisbane Lions at Richlands — and renewed Wolves' faint hopes that they may not finish the season as wooden spooners.

Urged on by a band of flag-waving supporters, who travelled north for the relegation battle and out-numbered the local supporters, Wollongong came back from a seemingly defeated position in the first half to snatch the winner with only seconds to go.

The goal was initiated by Roy Cotton who played a searching cross ball to find overlapping full-back Phil Kerr deep inside the Lions half.

Kerr was tackled by Lions' midfielder Steve Hogg, but regained the ball and crossed it to the near post where O'Connor got in front of his marker Bobby McSkimming and slipped the ball into the net.

Struggling Lions should never have lost. Woeful finishing and lack of concentration in defence in the dying minutes were to blame for their defeat.

But the Lions' pressure paid off in the 14th minute when a build-up involving Alan Hunter, Hogg, McSkimming and a flick header by Danny Wright allowed John Stewart to slot the ball in from 10 metres.

Wright and Hogg were the two worst offenders with five missed chances

between them. Lions could have been leading 3-0 at half time but the score was 1-1.

Wollongong's equaliser came from a corner. The ball was knocked repeatedly around the penalty area and was never really cleared by Lions. A pass was eventually knocked to Roy Cotton, unmarked on the left, and he slammed the ball in from close range.

As the second half progressed the game seemed destined for a draw, a result which would not have helped either team, when Wollongong snatched their unexpected winner and three points for only the second time this season.

BRISBANE LIONS: Nigel Lownds, Bobby McSkimming, Rod Vazquez, Alan Hunter (Jim McDonagh 68), Alan Niven, Steve Hogg, Russell Stewart, Danny Wright, Calvin Daunt, John Ogden, John Stewart.

WOLLONGONG: Natch Vardareff, Peter Willis, Ray Vliestra, Jeff Ainsworth, Phil Kerr, John Fleming, Chris Dunleavy, Roy Cotton, Phil O'Connor, Scott Dickson, Jamie Dummatt.

REFEREE: Bill Monteverde. CROWD: 250.

NSL TOP SCORERS

M. Soper (S.O.)	11
J. Bradley (L)	10
C. Lucchesi (P)	9
G. Ward (P)	9
J. Kosmina (S.C.)	9
P. O'Connor (W)	9
S. Bryant (C)	8
R. Brown (M)	7
R. Cotton (W)	7
C. Egan (S.M.)	7
D. Brown (S.M.)	6
B. Hamilton (B.C.)	6
G. Gomez (S.C.)	6

TOMMY DOCHERTY'S AFTER MATCH QUOTE

"Marshall Soper has picked up more points with cautions than Footscray has in the competition this year.

"Honest if he carries on at this rate he'll spend more time on the bench than the local Justice of the Peace.

"He's got me completely

perplexed and I'm saddened by that talent and ability this boy is wasting by his antics.

"What he must realise is that he is the idol of thousands of youngsters and it would be a shame if the kids followed his bad habits when he turns on the antics."



Players are not prisoners — don't keep them behind bars! Pictured is Brazil's Zico in camp for last year's World Cup.

THE PLAYER IS THE GAME

BY TOM ANDERSON

THE MAJOR ingredient in our game that seems to have been pushed conveniently under the carpet during the past few weeks of politics and speculation, is the most important of all — the players.

Many administrators have gone out of their way to grab the spotlight in the recent NSL-ASF discussions and of course have loved every minute of it.

That's the main reason some of them are in the game in the first place.

Other administrators in recent weeks have tried to jump on the bandwagon by having a kick at players, and the money they are paid.

These people should always remember this game is all about players and without players there would be no football at all.

One of the most important factors in a professional set-up is the handling and welfare of players.

In our set-up, this is mainly handled by the coaches — or should be.

But before getting into this subject, it must be made clear that there is no place in the game for "player power" with players trying to assert power over the head of their coach.

Players' care and welfare, must be handled in a professional manner, with respect on both sides.

A coach can be the greatest tactician and mastermind in the world, but if he can't handle players he's not worth a bent cent.

Over the past few years, we, luckily, have

had some real professionals in charge of NSL teams — men who know what professional football is all about, men who know how to get the best of their players.

These fellows know

how to develop a good understanding with their playing staff and how to handle the problems that arise, in and out of football.

Two real "old pros" who come to mind are Tommy Docherty and Frank Arok, experts who have been through it all and are top class in the player relationship stakes.

Another is former Coventry, Queens Park Rangers and Manchester United coach Dave Sexton who was here as coach of the England team for the three-match series against the Socceroos.

Sexton gains high respect as a coach and his views on how professional players should be handled are first rate.

"The end result in football depends solely on the players and this should never be forgotten," Sexton declares.

"As coaches we must get the best out of the players and look after their welfare and care at all times.

"A coach must be able to advise, lend a listening ear and give moral support to his players.

"This can be achieved by commonsense and the proper approach.

"Sometimes it is difficult for a coach to switch on and off in his relationship with his players and achieve a good balance between work and play.

"The best thing to do is to try and achieve a happy medium with shared respect.

"This can only happen when the players trust and rely on their coach.

"It does not take them very long to discover a coach who is not properly conversed in the running of a football team.

"A good mentor should know the basics on how to handle injuries when they occur either at training or in a match.

"For example knowing where the local hospital is, that there is a doctor in attendance on match days, who rings for the ambulance etc, to ensure that there is no last minute panic with club officials running around in circles asking what they should do.

"When a player realises that his every need will be seen to, it will put him in a more relaxed and less anxious state of mind.

"When playing away from home players' diets must be taken care of and nothing must be taken for granted.

"Travelling abroad can bring all sorts of problems.

"Proper rest is also essential and it must be ensured that the team is not booked into a hotel with rooms over a disco, a dance-hall or all night bazaar.

"Nothing must be assumed in football and the player's every need must be catered for if he is to perform to his maximum.

"If a player says he is not fit, don't play him. If he says he's prepared to play and see how the injury stands up, every precaution should be taken before making a decision.

"Players are human beings and must be treated as such.

"They are also adults and should not be talked down to.

"Jokes should not be made at their expense to amuse people — not everyone has the same sense of humour and what may amuse one player may deeply offend another.

"Nothing can be worse than to treat players with dogmatism: this only leads to resentment and in the end complete breakdown in communications.

"It must also be remembered that the coach's contribution to success is 10 per cent and the player's 90 per cent."

Of course the coach's 10 per cent is very important and, at most times, the difference between winning and losing.

But I think Dave Sexton has put it all into proper perspective and he's right on the ball.

There's no way our players should be mollified or treated like little tin gods.

If they expect such treatment, they've no right being in a professional set-up.

But they should be treated like professionals and given the respect they certainly deserve.

A part-time Soccer professional's life in Australia is not all that glamorous nowadays and his lot should not be made more difficult by officials.

Just remember...No players — no game!

RIVERSIDE MOVE UP

BY DON BALMAIN

WHEN this report was received from Brisbane, Riverside club, with only one match to play, was two points clear of the field and on top of the competition.

The inevitable finally happened with the team. After being formed from girls in the first division three years ago as an entirely new unit, Riverside has fulfilled its objective and is on top of the ladder.

Supreme for a number of years, Easts has finally been toppled from the premier position.

Marise Stephens says the Riverside team notched up 20 goals in their last three games.

Play between the two top clubs has been a seesawing affair with Easts winning the pre-season Watson Shield, Riverside took the knock-out competition, and in regular competition, when they played each other, the result was a draw in the first encounter and a Riverside win in the second round.

Nominations for the Sth Queensland player of the year concluded with the June selections and three girls qualified.

Nominees were Leanne Priestley, Lainie Thorn and Stephanie McMahon.

Leanne Priestley is a 19-year-old trainee teacher playing for Eastern Suburbs. She has played for eight years and was a Brisbane rep. in 1979, a Queensland rep from 1979 to 1983 and an Australian player for the last two years.

Lainie Thorn started playing Soccer when she was 14. Now in her third year, she plays as striker for Riverside. She was a Gold Coast rep, 1981/82, a Brisbane rep. this year and has been selected as a State player for the first time this year as well.

Stephanie McMahon was a Lismore (Nth NSW) rep player in 1979 before moving to Brisbane. She is 21 and plays for Virginia as a centre midfielder. She also excels at softball, representing NSW from 1976-80 and Queensland in 1981. She works in a bank as a teller.

South Queensland has stuck to tried and experi-

enced players in selection of the 1983 State side.

Newcomer to the side is Sue Bubeck, a goalkeeper from Toowoomba. Sue is 27 and played as a keeper for four years before turning to the midfield position.

She has been selected in the State side as goalkeeper.

Providing added strength in the midfield is Stephanie McMahon who is playing her first year in division one and the first year also for the State.

Tracey Smith is the other newcomer to the State side.

One of the goalkeepers is Kaye O'Sullivan from Riverside. It will be her second term as custodian and she will be sharing the task with newcomer, Sue Bubeck.

A familiar face missing from the national scene this year is Connie Selby, wife of national coach, Jim Selby.

Connie is expecting her second child.

The side is: K. O'Sullivan, S. Wass, L. Thorn, L. Geddes (Riverside), J. Millman, K. Millman, L. Priestley, C. Spencer, L. Spencer, S. Monteath (Easts), M. Sawyers, T. McQueen, T. Smith (Coaststars), S. McMahon (Virginia), S. Bubeck (Toowoomba) and L. Gill (Bundaberg).

Coach of the Sth. Qld. side is Fred Robbins who successfully took them to the championship last year.

From Victoria we hear that Betty Hoar, former player for the Watsonia club and national secretary, has given up playing to concentrate on refereeing.

The Victorian Under 15 State side is still in training after the national titles in Canberra recently.

Reason for this is that there is a junior American team coming our way in August.

The Victorians will play two games against them on Friday evening, 26th August and Saturday afternoon, 27th.

LEANNE THE TOP PLAYER

AUSTRALIAN representative Leanne Priestley has been named as Queensland's first women's Soccer Player of the Year.

Leanne, a powerful striker with the Eastern Suburbs club, won the title at a prestigious function late last month.

She was presented with a trophy donated by QSF president Ald. Ian Brusasco.

The South Queensland

Women's Soccer Association selected Leanne after collating the results of a poll.

Opposition coaches were asked to give points to the three best players on the other team.

Monthly winners were announced before Leanne took out the award.



Dave Sexton — England's coach.



Martyn Crook: struggling

MARTYN CROOK'S hopes of getting back in the Socceroo squad look dim.

He's struggling to hold his place in the West Adelaide line-up, with Gary Sproul about to get the nod for yet another game.



Johnny Thomson (right) on the Olympic bench next to Doug Collins at a match last year.

"I FEEL like Malcolm Fraser. I've lost my seat!" So said Sydney Olympic publicity man Johnny Thomson, for years a familiar figure on the Olympic bench at matches.

Johnny was commenting on a club decision that he would have to vacate his normal seat because there are too many officials on the bench.

EDDIE THOMSON is one NSL coach who does not agree the Preston bubble is due to burst.

"They're a very good side," said Eddie. "They have a solid defence but come out and hit you on the break."

ADELAIDE CITY coach Bobby Ferguson has laid it on the line to the club.

He came out publicly after the defeat from Preston and said he needs three good players if the team is to go anywhere next year.

City, like West, has been concentrating on cutting its debts in 1983 and it is showing on the field.

ADELAIDE CITY'S Charlie Villani has a broken rib and doesn't know when it happened.

He collapsed while sprinting at training and a check-up revealed the break which doctors reckon had been there for a couple of weeks.

WOLLONGONG CITY have qualified for the final of the Balgownie Centenary Cup, to be played next month.

Eight teams contested the knockout on Wednesday nights during the season, including Wollongong United.

To reach the final, in which they will play Coniston, Wollongong City edged out Figtree in the best game of the series.

Figtree rose to the occasion to give their NSL rivals a rugged and entertaining 90 minutes and the score was 2-2 with a minute to go when City scored the winning goal.

The final, part of the Festival of Wollongong, should draw a large crowd to Balgownie Oval.

KNOWN as the "Wolf Cubs", Wollongong City youth team are on the bottom of the table but this hasn't dampened their enthusiasm.

The boys have battled on despite losing key players since the start of the season and a number of under 16 players have been "blooded" into the line-up in recent weeks.

A highlight recently was a gem of a goal by State representative striker Darren Nees against Sydney Olympic.

It was a "TV special" and a sign that Nees certainly has plenty of composure.

He could well be seen in the top side before the end of the season.

HIS two goals against Heidelberg on Sunday took Marshall Soper's goal tally in NSL matches this season to 11. And that makes the controversial Soper number one in the scoring lists.



THE Australian Soccer Federation said some time ago that contracts had been signed for the four-nations international tournament in November.

Was it a premature announcement? ASW understands the four countries had not signed.

A SAD blow for Canberra Arrows great youth squad front-runner Manis Lamond, with 13 goals second highest Youth League scorer behind Tony Caban.

Lamond has chipped a bone in his ankle and the ankle is in plaster. Lamond is expected to be out for at least another three games.

SYDNEY CITY fan Sam Spitzer worked hard, without pay, a few years ago to get the Wentworth Park pitch in good shape so he is, naturally, interested in stories that Soccer will be returning to WP.

"If the ground is used for Soccer next year, the playing area would have to be carefully looked after," said Sam.

"And the first rule must be — no show jumping events or tossing the caber at the Highland Gathering!"

EVERYBODY assumes all States are going to accept the proposed 24-team National League, but New South Wales has not made any decision yet.

"We made no commitment. The plan must be discussed fully by our executive and our clubs," said NSW Federation president Karel Rodney.



Steve Hoszowski

YOU don't know whether to admire the NSL clubs for their courage in keeping going or condemn them for spending money they haven't got.

One prominent NSW club started the year with debts of around \$200,000 and could end it \$400,000 in the red.

The wage bill is around \$15,000 a fortnight.

DID St George invite the WRONG Brisbane club to take part in the disappointing promotion at Lismore?

There is a strong Italian community in Lismore and the Italian Club in the NSW country town is solidly behind Soccer.

Brisbane City, an Italian-sponsored club, would have had more appeal than Lions.

WE'VE heard of some player nicknames in our time — but the one for Canberra's goalkeeper, Steve Hoszowski, takes the cake.

Steve's nickname is Dracula. It was learned in after-match conversation: "Hey Dracula," shouted one of the players.

Why Dracula? The reply was: "Because Steve hates crosses".

THRILL FOR KIDS

TWENTY-TWO youngsters from Canberra's Urambi and Page Primary schools got their biggest Soccer thrill at Canberra's last home game — playing before the home crowd for the final of the Canberra Arrows — sponsored Primary Schools K.O. Cup.

Page Primary School ran out winners 2-0 thanks to well taken goals from young Michael Siede.

At half-time break of the St George game the boys — from both sides — were each presented with a medallion and the winning side a trophy.

The presentation was made by Arrows' midfielder Ian Stone (pictured with his hand to his face, at left), who is himself a primary school teacher. Page's captain Kai Swoboda holds up the trophy — in obvious delight — while some of his teammates look on.

Partially obscured behind Ian Stone is the ACT Primary Schools' Soccer Convenor, Peter Collin. Clapping is Page School's sports mistress, Mrs Trish Sargent while the team's coach (in cap), Ron Reeson looks on.





The chanting still goes on: Juve! Juve! Hellas! Hellas!

JUVE! JUVE! HELLAS! HELLAS! COULD RETURN?

BY TOM McKAIN

WITH more tolerance being shown over all things ethnic, Adelaide City and West Adelaide may revert to their old Juventus and Hellas names.

City president, Cav. Joe Linarello, has indicated his club is treating the matter seriously, as a way to bring back the crowds, particularly Italians.

"The idea has been circulating around the club for some time," he wrote in the City program.

"The crowd still chants 'Juve, Juve'."

West's supporters still give the "Hellas, Hellas" chant and have been clamouring for more players of Greek extraction to be included in the NSL line-up.

The pressure on non-Greek players has been so strong that Wally Bojczuk and Stewart Blair were sold because of it.

In the deals, George Konstandopoulos arrived at West from Azzurri, while Chris Manou, another "Greek" player, switches from City.

When City coach Bobby Ferguson suggested Charlie Villani be put on the transfer list earlier in the season because he was not fit enough, there was an outcry.

Officials reacted by arranging for Villani to have extra workouts.

However, Ferguson is not under such heavy pressure as West boss Alan Vest to include "ethnic" players.

But West has a team which is in and out of the top four in the State League First Division, and there is a continual cry for players with Greek backgrounds to be prom-

oted to the NSL team.

Steve Atsalas and John Panagis in midfield are the only "Greek" regulars in the NSL first choice, although Chris Manou, George Konstandopoulos, George Calandaris, and Theo Stamatelopoulos have had runs as replacements for injured regulars, or starting from the bench.

Panagis has been out recently with a recurring hip injury, and Manou started the season with a leg injury.

Forward Villani and midfielder Sergio Melta are the only two "Italians" in the City line-up since the retirement of Johnny Perin and the departure of Lucio Signore to Beograd.

Vest is having problems with two other players who are not the West crowd's favourites.

Midfielder Mickey Brennan is serving the last of a three-week suspension imposed by the club after he gave a "sign" to supporters who were booing him.

Striker Paul Wormley is being sent back to England because he "could not take out permanent Australian residency papers."

But he was another player the fans "loved to hate" and at one stage, supporters spat on him.

Apart from any ethnic bias, both clubs have suffered with the recession and because they did not have the cash to buy a

couple of star players.

Bills for clubrooms are still being paid off, and with the gates falling off as the teams slide down the ladder the position is now desperate for the Adelaide pair.

It will take more — than another name change to bring back the fans — and the cash.

REUNIONS IN Q'LD

THE call has gone out to any past players, officials and supporters of two of Queensland's oldest clubs Bardon and Latrobe.

A reunion dinner is planned on September 10 at the Wests Rugby League club.

Bardon and Latrobe have histories dating back to the early 1900's.

Anyone interested in attending the reunion dinner should contact Ray Evans on (07) 369 1485 or Merv Parmenter on (07) 351 2129.

Another of Queensland's oldest clubs, Grange Thistle, is also planning a reunion next month.

The Thistle history dates back to 1919.

Anyone interested in attending the Grange Thistle reunion should contact club secretary Bob Mills on (07) 356 8553.

VICTORIA REPORTING 1,100 YOUNG McEROOS!

MORE THAN 1,100 youngsters have been awarded the McDonald's Superskills awards in two weekends in Melbourne suburbs.

Fred Brooks, the Superskills co-ordinator for Victoria, announced the news this week saying although the state made a late start to the coaching scheme for youngsters it is now catching up fast with other states.

But he complained about the lack of support the scheme received from some State League clubs.

"Green Gully, Northcote, Juventus to name a few haven't bothered to send their juniors," he said.

"But clubs like Croydon City and Melbourne Croatia have done a great job. Croydon have put through more

than 200 boys since the scheme started."

Last weekend at Pucka Punyal Army Camp, near Seymour, 50 youngsters, including a girl, received awards.

The girl, Samantha Thompson, 11, was the first girl in Victoria to gain the red award which is the second level of skills.

From March 6 this year when Fred Brooks took over the scheme, more than 3000 Superskills awards have been made in Melbourne.

The next big clinic will be held at Mooroolbark on September 3, a special day when gold award testing will be carried out by coaches Tony Dunkerley, Tom Newbiggin, Alan Gentry and other regional junior coaches.

For more information contact Fred Brooks, phone 467 6315.

GREEN GULLY INDIGNANT!

VICTORIAN champions Green Gully are most indignant because they are being overlooked as a National League contender reports FRED VILLIERS.

"How dare people mention Fawknor and George Cross before Green Gully," said Gully president Guy Spiteri.

"They obviously don't know what they're talking about."

"Why should Fawknor or George Cross be preferred to us? After all we have won the State League championship two years in a row and we look like winning it again this year."

"We're upset because the media is leaving us out of calculations. How dare they do this."

"Clubs like Juventus have been struggling, so have George Cross. But since 1976, Green Gully have gone on to bigger and better things."

"We have great facilities with one of the best grounds in Victoria. It won't be long before we have a grandstand. Keilor council have promised us one if we play in the National League."

"In the last two or three weeks we have been advocating at Green Gully that people should sit down and talk about Soccer and what's best for it. What's best for Victoria."

Mr Spiteri said there were far too many clubs in the western suburbs of Melbourne. He said too many had "killed Soccer in Victoria."

He said there were 10

FOR PETE'S SAKE!

WHO can beat this?

Peter Quince, of Geelong, still turns out to play for the Geelong Thirds in the Sunday League at the age of 56.

He trains twice a week and "is as fit as top professionals."

Peter has been playing for Geelong for 16 years.

Originally from England, he had trials with Swindon and also represented the Army in his younger days.

Peter believes he has played more than 600 league games in his long Soccer career.

— Fred Villiers.

CEASE POWER POLITICS, LET'S PLAY

BY FRED VILLIERS

BIG SAM Manenti, president of Brunswick Juventus, says his club is 100 per cent for playing in the National League next year.

"But the powers at the top should stop worrying about their positions and start thinking about Soccer in Victoria," he told me.

"There are too many struggles instead of getting on with the business of administering Soccer."

Sam, who is at least 20 stone, believes Sundays should be kept for senior games and all junior Soccer matches cancelled. He says the ideal day for juniors to play is Saturday.

Sam says by not playing people involved in power

ing juniors on Sundays would mean more mums and dads would come through the turnstiles.

Juventus are one of the two favourites with Melbourne Croatia to get a place in the proposed southern division of the NSL.

"We are very keen to play top Soccer next year but we don't want to hang ourselves with expense," said Sam.

"We must regionalise and rationalise and stop the power struggles," he added.



Steve Kokosa (Essendon) outjumps Green Gully players Willie Vassallo (left) and Dave Hogben (right).

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MEET THE CHAMPS

THE N.S.W./C.H.S 1983 Soccer Squad was selected after the Inter-Regional Championships held at Marconi Soccer Club June 28-30.

The squad will play in the A.S.S.F. Championships to be held in Brisbane August 29 - September 2.



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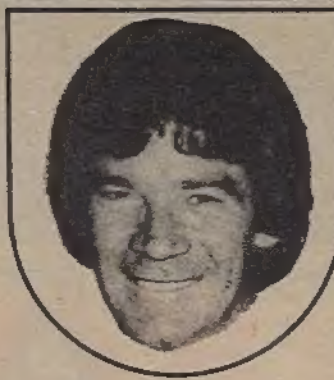
NAME	NO	SCHOOL	CLUB	BACKGROUND
Bill Londres	1	Lurnea HS	Sydney Olympic	Plays for Sydney Olympic Youth. Member of NSW CHS squad 1982. Promising goalkeeper.
Martin Oriene	2	Moorebank HS	Liverpool Albion	Member of the NSW U18 side in this year's National Youth Titles held in Canberra. Full back.
Geoff Biscaya	3	Port Hacking HS	St. George	Plays for St. George Youth side. Capt. of NSW U16 1982; NSW U18 1983. Central Defender.
Steve Zantides	4	James Cook HS	St. George	Plays for St. George Youth side. Member of NSW U16 1982 & NSW U18 sides 1983. Central defender.
Mat Garland	5	Wyong HS	Central Coast	NSW CHS squad 1982. Member of Nth NSW side at National Youth Titles this year. Left-back.
Stephen Waugh	6	E. Hills Boys HS	Croatia	NSW CHS Squad 1982; former NSW Junior Rep. Mid-field.
Paul Juergens	7	Davidson HS	Manly	NSW CHS squad 1982. Good prospect. Mid-field.
Nicky Papas	8	James Cook HS	St. George	Former NSW Junior representative. Mid-field. Plays for St. George in the National Youth League.
Darren Nees	9	Wollongong HS	Wollongong City	Plays National Youth League. Played NSW U18 at National Youth Titles in Canberra in May. Striker.
Ali Reda	10	Kogarah HS	—	Formerly Riverwood NSW State League. Striker.
Alex Bundalo	11	Wollongong HS	Fairy Meadow	Skillful Mid-field player. Plays in NSW Div 2 of the NSW State League.
Paul Darlington	12	James Cook HS	St. George	Plays mid-field for St. George in the NYL.
D. Smirthwaite	13	Lurnea HS	Wollongong City	Plays in the Nat. Youth League. Mid-fielder.
Ian Vaughn	14	The Entrance HS	N'Castle United	Former Nth NSW Junior rep. Plays in the NYL. Striker.
John Gregson	15	Granville HS	Melita Eagles	Reserve for NSW U18 this year. Back-Four player.
Paul Chester	16	Colyton HS	Mt Druitt Town	NSW CHS squad 1982. NSW U18, 1982. Goalkeeper.
Chris James		Bidwill HS		Coach — Coach NSW CHS 1982, 1983. Coach NSW U13 1978, 1982. Coach NSW U14 1979. Coach Blacktown Utd (NSW Div 2) 1976, 7, 9. PE Teacher, now in Special Education. NSW Staff Coach.
Gareth Williams		Camden HS		Manager NSW CHS Soccer Convenor since 1982. Responsible for improvements in CHS Soccer making NSW Soccer Commonwealth Bank Cup a state wide event.

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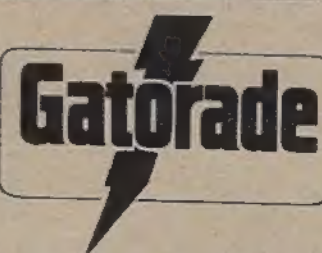
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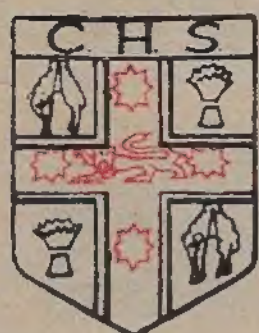
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COMMONWEALTH BANK SOCCER CUP FINAL

KADINA and KOGARAH High Schools, will meet in the final of the Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup at Marconi Stadium, tomorrow night (Wednesday, August 17), with the kick-off at 7.00pm.

Two hundred and eighty-eight NSW High Schools entered this year's Cup, which is the largest competition of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere.

HOW THEY GOT THERE

KOGARAH and KADINA High Schools, will create Soccer history when they meet in the 22nd Final. It is the first time either at St George district school, or a country school (ie non Sydney/Newcastle/Wollongong) has made the final.

KOGARAH qualified by beating Peakhurst 8-0, Port Hacking 6-1, Sydney Tech 2-2*, Kingsgrove North 2-0, Cabramatta 3-1, Albury 5-1 and Marsden 1-1*.

KADINA won their way to the final by beating Richmond River 1-0, Ballina 6-0, Mullumbimby 5-1, South Grafton 11-0, Toormina 5-0, Merewether 4-0, East Hills 1-0 and Canterbury 2-0.

*Won on penalties.

FLASHBACK: elated Marsden Skipper Brian Rene proudly holds the Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup aloft after his side had upset pre-match favourites Punchbowl to win the 1982 Commonwealth Bank Final 1-0.



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| 1963 Macquarie | 1973 Newcastle Tech |
| 1964 Wallsend | 1974 Wallsend |
| 1965 Keira | 1975 Wallsend & Boorugal |
| 1966 Strathfield South & Cleveland Street | 1976 Bankstown |
| 1967 Boorugal | 1977 Canterbury |
| 1968 Newcastle Tech | 1978 Normanhurst |
| 1969 Boorugal | 1979 Normanhurst |
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| | 1982 Marsden |

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BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

AROUND NEW SOUTH WALES

IT WAS ONE OF THOSE GAMES!

SUTHERLAND share fourth position in the competition table after they drew 0-0 with Melita at Seymour Shaw Park.

Both sides played with equal determination but the Sutherland Sharks created the better goalscoring opportunities. Only bad luck and safe defensive work hindered them.

On the other hand, Melita Eagles were more constructive in forward build up but lacked a finishing touch in front of goal.

"We're out of our bad spell and points are important to us so sometimes we play a tentative, close-marking type of game," said John Watkins, Sutherland coach. "Melita might have had a better share of the game but we created more opportunities."

One of their best came in the 28th minute when Groome latched on to a free kick from the left side and his volley forced McPherson to pull off a spectacular save.

But Melita soon struck back when Farrugia deceived Haynes with a low looping shot forcing him to scramble low to his left in the 40th minute. Surprisingly, Melita showed a willingness to pump high balls within close reach of Haynes and he had no



Billy Griffith midfield for Melita.

difficulty dealing with these.

Melita started the second half in a spirited manner. In the 46th minute Farnsworth made a skilful run inside the Sutherland area and his low drive was pushed wide by Haynes. Two minutes later Farnsworth put Duarte through and his low shot forced Haynes to save low.

In the 64th minute Melita looked to have scored. Haynes leapt up to meet a corner but was impeded in doing so. Just after the referee blew his whistle for the infringement, McKie potted the ball into the net.

In the last 15 minutes, the Sharks created three goalscoring opportunities which almost clinched victory.

But by these later stages of the match, the game had become a catalogue of missed chances and good goal-keeping and both teams left the field unhappy and frustrated.

For the Sharks, Terrey was always safe in defence, Schuman and Cashman effective in forward movements and Haynes confident in the air.

Griffith was the most effective player for the Eagles, Daley solid at the back of the defence and McKie was a constant threat in attack.

SUTHERLAND: Haynes, Hesford, Terrey, Schuman, Dal Forno, Cashman, Harrington, Clinch (Rogers 85), Beggs, Groome, Scharfegger.

MELITA: McPherson, Williams, Cross, McAusland, Daley, Griffith, Duarte (Gavin 73), Farnsworth, Allan, Farrugia, McKie.

CROATIA NEVER LOOKED BACK

CROATIA moved into first position on the competition table following their well-drilled 5-0 win over Auburn at Mona Park.

Croatia never looked troubled by Auburn bar the one opportunity that fell to Quigley in the 53rd minute. His well taken shot was parried by Watson but no-one followed this chance through.

Croatia striker Wally Savor capped a fine game with two well taken goals in the first half. In the 29th minute Hensman made a dashing run down the right flank put the ball through for Savor who slotted it into goal.

In the 35th minute Woods, who played with enterprise for Croatia, made an overlapping run on the right to the by-line and his cross was headed in by Savor.

Croatia's Graham Arnold moved to within two goals of becoming the

leading scorer in the competition over Smith (Manly) and Theodorakopoulos (Cant-M'ville) following his double in the 57th and 58th minutes.

The first was scored after he latched onto a weak back-pass from Planinic and slotted it past Walker. And seconds later, straight from the kick-off, Croatia regained possession and Arnold made no mistake once he was put in the clear.

Silva made it 5-0 with seconds remaining after he headed in a Savor cross on the far post.

AUBURN: Walker, Kelly, Kilkelly, Planinic, Johnston, Dale, Bobinac, Quigley, Allen (Promelja 73), Martinez (Townson 60), Carney.

CROATIA: Watson, A.Kovacic, Tomasic, Woods, Sterrey, Vidaic, Rezo (Silva 45), Savor, Arnold, M.Kovacic, Hensman (Holloway 64).

GOALS: Croatia (Savor 29,35 Arnold 57,58, Silva 89).



DEMON YOUTH TOO GOOD

BLACKTOWN consolidated their position in the top four following a convincing 4-1 victory over Yugal at the Gabbie Stadium.

Disappointingly for the home side, full-back Cliff Pointer was rushed to hospital with a double fracture of the cheekbone at half time.

The first half was keenly contested by both sides with opportunities at each end. The tone of the game was set when Yugal keeper, Berry, was forced

Cliff Pointer:

to pull off a good save in the 3rd minute following lead-up work from Rassmussen and Wheatley.

Against the run of play, Yugal hit the lead in the 30th minute when Morsello shook off Pointer and potted the ball past the advancing Hoare. But seconds before the break, Thornthwaite replied for the Demons with a confident drive into goal from eight metres.

Blacktown played with inspiration in the second half and the end result was three goals. In the 51st minute Thornthwaite crossed the ball to Oshana, his shot was blocked but the rebound was driven home by McLaughlin. Four minutes later, Pearson made a dashing run down the left and Thornthwaite was on hand to hammer his cross into goal.

In the 62nd minute, Pearson made another skilful run down the left

flank and his cross was slotted into goal by Stoddart. Best for Yugal were Turkoglu and Berry, despite the scoreline. For the Demons, Rassmussen was solid in defence and young substitute Thornthwaite was very impressive.

BLACKTOWN: Hoare, Rassmussen, Turnbull, Wheatley, Pointer (Pearson 45), Selvage, Brogan, Stoddart, Oshana, McLaughlin, Kirwan (Thornthwaite 18).

YUGAL: Berry, Gogic, Turkoglu, McIntosh, Clarke, Pahor, Milne, Forrester, Bonic (Morsello 20), Zivkovic, Tanoski (Banjac 67).

GOALS: Blacktown (Thornthwaite 44, 55, McLaughlin 51, Stoddart 62), Yugal (Morsello 30).

ARISE AVALA!

DESPITE being in eighth position in the competition, Avala are one point away from the top four after they defeated Polonia 2-1 at Knight Park.

Avala created the better goal scoring opportunities but didn't find the target till the 49th minute when Milne headed a Hosseini cross confidently into goal.

Seconds later, a defensive error in the Avala goalmouth was utilised by Sobczyk and his pass to Grossas was planted into the back of the net.

The game was clinched for Avala with 10 minutes remaining when Fernandez scored following good lead-up work from MacKenzie.

Avala was best served by Vujinovic, Rodriguez, MacKenzie and Radojevic with a promising debut in the top grade.

For Polonia, Barker pulled off many memorable saves, Galas was firm in defence, Tracey resourceful in midfield and Thomas dangerous up front.

AVALA: Ahrens, Lembryk, Milne, MacKenzie, Vujinovic (Brown, Radojevic, Hosseini (Fontana 67), Muniz, Rodriguez, Fernandez, Mahamah.

POLONIA: Barker, I.Garlowski, Geekie, Galas, Z.Garlowski, Tracey, Kowalczyk, Ortega, Grossas, Sobczyk, Thomas.

GOALS: Avala (Milne 49, Fernandez 80), Polonia (Grossas 50).

INTER SNATCH

INTER-MONARO scored a vital goal in the the dying stages of their match with Bankstown to snatch a 3-2 victory at Marco Polo Oval.

It was an evenly matched first half, with neither side giving an

inch. And it was only after Bankstown were reduced to 10 men that Monaro scored their third, match-winning goal.

Monaro's first goal came in the 42nd minute following a Willox header. Agostino replied for Bankstown in the 50th minute. He turned inside Charles on the right side and fired his shot past Monaro keeper, Hocking.

Number two for Monaro came in the 76th minute when Willox and Calbertaldo combined with the latter scoring with a left foot drive. Minutes later a defensive lapse from Charles allowed Silines to dart through and level the score for Bankstown.

Santolin was largely responsible for Monaro's winner in the 81st minute. His long clearance found Calbertaldo free on the left flank and he made no mistake with his shot at goal.

BANKSTOWN: S.Giffin, J.Giffin, King (SO 78), Vaughan, Kennedy, Agostino, Bourke, Hasnic, Blackburn, Silines, York.

INTER-MONARO: Hocking, Leith, Charles, Santolin, Francis, Willox, Monterosso, Lawler, Godzik, Arquero (Vieri 60, Colbertaldo).

GOALS: Inter-Monaro (Willox 42, Colbertaldo 76,81), Bankstown (Agostino 53, Silnes 79).

MANLY STAND FIRMLY

MANLY revitalised their hopes of gaining a position in the top four following a convincing 3-0 win over Cant-M'ville at Cromer Park.

The first half was keenly fought by both sides. Canterbury strikers Theodorakopoulos and Anagnostopoulos looked dangerous in forward movements but were well controlled by the Manly defence.

In the 63rd minute, after a corner from Peter Falconer was partially cleared, Keith Falconer chipped the ball back into the goalmouth and Manly's Stuart was on hand to score from close range.

Two minutes later, Stuart made a skilful raid down the right flank, combined with Jones in a one-two movement, but was brought down by Laws inside the area. Smith made no mistake from the spot.

Jones sealed Canterbury's fate in the 80th minute after he latched onto a Jack pass from 12 metres and drove it home.

MANLY: Cassettari, Geoghan, Williamson, K.Falconer, Knoble, Jones, Steven, Jack, Smith, P.Falconer, Stuart.

CANT-M'VILLE: El Zein, Antonopoulos, Hantzis, Laws, Palmer, Andreou, Laing, Philipiou (Cohen 76), Theodorakopoulos, Anagnostopoulos, Basterfield.

GOALS: Manly (Stuart 63, Smith 65, Jones 80).

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NSW TABLES

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Croatia	20	13	8	1	42	10	32
Melita	20	14	3	3	39	10	31
Blacktown	20	14	0	6	44	21	28
Sutherland	19	9	5	5	28	20	23
Ku-Ring-Gai	19	9	5	5	27	19	23
Manly	21	8	6	7	34	30	22
Inter-Monaro	20	8	6	6	30	27	22
Avala	20	8	6	6	26	28	22
Cant-M'ville	20	6	3	11	31	39	15
Yugal	20	4	7	9	18	34	15
Polonia	19	3	5	11	22	35	11
Bankstown	20	2	4	14	22	51	8
Auburn	20	2	2	16	19	59	6

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Blacktown	20	15	5	0	56	13	35
Manly	21	13	4	4	54	25	30
Bankstown	19	11	6	2	42	22	28
Ku-Ring-Gai	19	10	7	2	43	16	27
Melita	20	10	7	3	55	33	26
Sutherland	18	13	0	5	51	16	27
Croatia	19	7	5	7	33	29	19
Avala	18	6	4	9	34	39	16
Auburn	20	5	3	12	25	44	13
Inter-Monaro	20	4	2	14	15	48	10
Cant-M'ville	20	4	1	15	26	50	9
Yugal	20	2	4	14	18	74	8
Polonia	19	1	4	14	12	55	6

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Cant-M'ville	18	10	6	2	30	14	26
Melita	19	8	8	3	39	19	24
Croatia	18	9	6	3	35	20	24
Manly	20	9	5	6	45	24	23
Sutherland	16	11	1	4	36	16	23
Blacktown City	19	7	7	5	33	20	21
Polonia	17	9	3	5	19	19	21
Bankstown	16	5	4	7	24	29	14
Ku-Ring-Gai	18	5	4	9	25	31	14
Auburn	18	4	4	10	20	35	12
Avala	19	4	4	11	23	44	12
Yugal	17	0	2	18	12	70	2

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Rockdale	22	15	3	4	52	24	33
Warr-N'been	21	14	4	3	39	18	32
Gladesville	21	13	3	5	39	26	29
Fairy Meadow	21	12	4	5	39	23	28
Wollongong Utd	21	9	8	4	39	23	26
Artarmon	22	10	3	9	44	34	23
Revesby Wks	21	7	9	5	38	32	22
Dee Why	20	8	6	6	29	30	22
Penrith Utd	22	5	10	7	26	23	20
Blacktown Utd	23	6	8	11	21	29	19
Nth Bankstown	20	6	3	11	31	36	15
Uni of NSW	22	4	5	13	17	35	13
Parra City	22	3	6	13	19	47	12
Belmore	22	1	4	17	18	71	8

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fairy Meadow	20	16	4	1	60	16	36
Gladesville	21	14	5	2	63	14	33
Warr-N'been	21	9	8	4	38	20	26
Penrith Utd	19	10	5	4	43	19	25
Parra City	22	11	3	8	39	44	25
Rev Workers	21	11	2	8	47	32	24
Wollongong Utd	21	10	4	7	44	40	24
Nth Bankstown	19	9	5	5	38	26	23
Artarmon	22	8	2	12	36	57	18
Rockdale	22	7	2	13	29	44	16
Blacktown Utd	21	6	2	13	26	50	14
Belmore	22	4	3	15	26	53	11
Dee Why	20	4	2	14	18	43	10
Uni of NSW	22	3	3	16	16	59	9

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fairy Meadow	21	19	0	2	66	22	38
Penrith Utd	18	16	1	1	66	21	33
Uni of NSW	22	12	5	5	43	24	29
Dee Why	20	12	3	5	42	22	27
Gladesville	21	10	7	4	43	25	27
Parra City	22	10	4	8	35	34	24
Warr-N'been	21	8	4	9	35	39	22
Rockdale	22	7	4	11	27	46	18
Nth Bankstown	19	7	3	9	49	42	17
Belmore	22	7	3	12	30	37	17
Blacktown Utd	21	6	4	11	34	47	16
Wollongong	20	3	5	12	27	48	11
Artarmon	22	4	3	15	39	74	11
Revesby Wks	21	1	2	18	14	79	4

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bethurst 75	20	15	3	2	40	9	33
Campbelltown	20	11	4	3	40	19	29
Queens Park	19	12	4	3	37	13	28
Nth Ryde	20	12	4	4	37	20	28
Mt Druitt Twn	20	9	4	7	27	26	22
Gladesville	18	7	6	5	19	18	20
Bondi Manne	19	7	5	7	37	23	19
L'pool Albion	20	4	7	9	21	27	15
Kingsford	16	4	3	9	19	38	11
Lane Cove Utd	19	3	5	11	18	39	11
CSI	20	3	3	14	19	38	9
Baulkham Hills	19	1	3	15	14	58	5

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Campbelltown	20	13	5	2	42	13	31
Bondi Manne	19	9	7	3	45	25	25
Nth Ryde	20	9	6	5	30	24	24
Gladesville	18	9	5	4	40	24	23
Mt Druitt Twn	20	9	5	6	35	27	23
Queens Park	19	8	6	5	35	22	22
CSI	20	8	6	7	37	29	22
Baulkham Hills	19	6	6	7	26	18	18
L'pool Albion	20	5	6	9	19	20	16
Bethurst 75	20	3	5	12	22	39	11
Lane Cove Utd	19	3	3	13	20	48	9
Kingsford	16	1	4	11	18	70	6

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Gladesville	18	13	4	1	48	10	30
Queens Park	19	12	4	3	50	20	28
Campbelltown	20	12	4	4	41	27	28
Baulkham Hills	19	6	5	8	42	19	23
L'pool Albion	20	9	4	7	36	23	22
Bethurst 75	20	9	4	7	35	33	22
CSI	20	7	7	6	28	30	21
Mt Druitt Twn	18	7	2	9	37	29	18
Bondi Manne	19	8	3	8	37	35	19
Kingsford	17	5	2	10	14	32	12
Nth Ryde	20	2	2	16	26	68	6
Lane Cove	19	0	1	18	8	89	1

ILLAWARRA JOTTINGS

BY PHIL MURPHY

ILLAWARRA referee Mario Mastoianni has every reason to remember his recent weekend in Canberra.

He went there to control two games along with Stephen Jaros in an exchange weekend in which two Canberra referees came to Wollongong.

In one of his games, Mastoianni sent three players from the field in as many minutes after two opposing players started fighting and another joined in.

After waving his red card just once in 55 previous games this season, Mastoianni was taken by surprise by the sudden activity.

THE NSW Federation should find out why Artarmon were able to play their recent Under 18 game against Fairy Meadow with just eight players.

Surely if a club is accepted in the Federation's second division they should make sure they

can field full teams no matter how far they have to travel.

Fairy Meadow won the game 7-2 and it must have been disheartening for the eight boys who thought enough of their club to make the trip to the South Coast.

Fairy Meadow do seem to have problems with the newly promoted club...

When they visited Artarmon Reserve earlier in the season, officials were seen cutting the grass with a mower at half-time in the first grade fixture!

BULLI at least equalled a record when they beat Fernhill 3-1 at Slacks Flat in a recent Premier League game.

Bulli led 1-0 without one of their players touching the ball.

Fernhill sweeper Keith Roser put the ball in his own net almost straight from the kick-off.

Bulli coach Norm Flanagan said he only wished his team had been able to start off like that in previous games.

"Actually it was one of the best goals we have scored this season."

He returned to Busby Sports in 1978 and spent the following year at Marconi. In 1980 he joined Lansvale United and played in their U/15 premiership winning side.

Not to be outdone he also played in the All age team which won their respective competition and the Peter Miller Cup. No doubt 1980 was a highlight in his playing career.

Flanagan said, "Keith really struck the ball well."

WARILLA Wanderers have qualified for the final of the Bert Bampton Cup after coming from behind to beat Fernhill 2-1 in their semi-final.

On Sunday at Berkeley Sportsground, Tarrawanna meet Port Kembla in the second semi-final.

The Cup is run in honour of Illawarra Association treasurer, Bert Bampton who has been handling the ISA books for more than 30 years without a break.

PREMIER League leaders Figtree ended a run of five games without a win when they beat Berkeley 5-2 but they had a few anxious moments.

They were coasting along at 3-0 with 15 minutes to play when Berkeley hit back with two goals in as many minutes and the leaders were "on the ropes" at 3-2.

They managed to get another two goals and the three points and it was mainly due to Bill Newbury, who scored a hat-trick.

team appearances as well as being on the bench.

I asked Wayne what he thought of the standard of the NSW State League.

"I think it's quite competitive but I feel that we have a team that can play in a higher class," he said.

No doubt all the Melita supporters feel the same way.

Wayne was quick to praise the Melita club for the continued support and help they have given him.

"The set up here is great. It's a privilege to be so young and coached by Raul Blanco and Dennis Hoggart. The supporters and committee are just tremendous," he said.

"Raul and Dennis have always kept me on my toes and made me learn to accept pressure — only through hard work can I reap the benefits.

"The first grade players have been very helpful and there is always some one willing to give advice and help with problems."

Raul Blanco praises Wayne's attitude.

"If he maintains this dedication and continues to work hard he will have a wonderful future in the game. He loves Soccer and has all the ingredients of being a top class striker."

Wayne's life has been touched with sadness.

Both his parents are dead.

Wayne's father, who died in 1977, used to follow his son's football career closely.

If ever Wayne needs advice he now turns to Keith Halton.

Wayne Farnsworth is one player that will become a familiar face to Soccer followers.

DEMONS INJURY CRISIS

By Andrew Paschalidis

BLACKTOWN City have had five major setbacks to their championship hopes recently: Five key players have been injured.

Young John Larkin has been lost for the rest of the season due to a cartilage injury he recieved at training last Friday night. Cliff Pointer suffered a painful double fracture of the cheekbone against Yugal and will be missing for at least six weeks.

Barry Walker, the equal leading goalscorer with Michael McLaughlin, will still be watching the game from the sideline for the next two weeks until his ankle tendon injury heals.

Paul Kirwan seems to have aggravated a groin injury keeping him out of the team for the past five games and there is a cloud over his immediate future.

Blacktown City coach Casey De Bruin was very disappointed about the in-



Paul Kirwan

juries but pleased with the efforts from the younger, inexperienced players that have been brought into the team.

"The loss of Cliff Pointer from the defence is a bitter blow. Knowing how

hard he trains he will certainly be ready come semi-final time.

"The young players have done a tremendous job stepping straight into first grade. We are lucky to have them," he said.

The second grade side are currently the only side to remain unbeaten in all levels of grade Soccer in the NSW State League. No doubt the Blacktown City youth policy is paying the right dividends.

Casey is hopeful his team can slip into second position at the expense of Melita.

"We have an easier draw than Melita. We play Cant-M'ville, Bankstown, Inter-Monaro and Ku-Ring-Gai. On the other hand Melita face Ku-Ring-Gai, Croatia, Inter-Monaro and Polonia," he said.

No doubt there is a battle for the top three spots but race for the fourth spot in the competition is proving even more interesting. Sutherland and Ku-Ring-Gai are both locked on 23 points with goal difference in favour of Sutherland. Inter-Monaro, Manly and Avala are all locked on 22 points and each side is also hopeful of slipping into fourth spot.

The battle for supremacy in the NSW State League is proving to be most interesting with Croatia, Melita and Blacktown assured of a position in the top four.

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Bankstown v Manly Warringah	Soccer Centre
Melita Eagles v Ku-ring-gai	Melita Stadium
Croatia Sydney v Sutherland Shire	King Tomislav Park

DIVISION 2

Saturday, August 20

Fairy Meadow v Rockdale	Police Boys Grd
Revesby Workers v Artarmon	Jensen Oval
Parramatta City v Warringah N'been	Garside Park
Penrith Utd v Gladesville Ravens	Cook Park
Dee Why v Nth Bankstown	Potts Park

Sunday, August 21

NSW SOCCER FEDERATION RESULTS

STATE LEAGUE 1ST DIVISION

	I	II	III
Blacktown v S.S.C. Yugal	4-1	5-0	2-0
Avala v Polonia	2-1	4-1	0-3
Manly Warringah v Cant-M'ville Oly	3-0	4-2	1-0
Auburn v Croatia	0-5	0-4	0-1
Sutherland Shire v Melita Eagles	0-0	1-0	1-1
Inter Monaro v Bankstown	3-2	0-3	

STATE LEAGUE 2ND DIVISION

	I	II	III
Uni. of NSW v Revesby Wkrs	0-1	0-0	5-0
Artamon v P'matta City	5-1	2-3	1-4
Wollongong Utd v Dee Why	2-2	3-2	0-4
Rockdale Ilinden v Bl'town Utd	4-1	0-1	4-1
Warringah N'been v Fairy Meadow	1-0	0-3	2-4
Belmore v Penrith Utd	3-2	0-2	1-3
Gl'ville Ravens v Nth Bankstown	2-0	2-2	3-2

STATE LEAGUE 3RD DIVISION

	I	II	III
C'town City v Baulkham Hills	1-0	2-0	0-7
Bondi Marine v Kingsford	4-0	4-0	6-0
C.S.I. v Nth Ryde	1-2	2-1	1-1
Liverpool Albion v Queens Park E/S	0-1	0-1	1-0
Kingsford v Bondi Marine	1-4	0-12	0-4
Lane Cove Utd v Mt Druitt Town	0-2	0-4	0-10
Gladesville Hby v Bathurst '75	0-1	5-2	0-2

INTER URBAN 1ST DIVISION

	I	II	III
Port Hacking v Eastern Creek	2-0	1-0	
Wenty Waratahs v Concordia	1-0	0-4	
Fairfield Kiev v Maroubra Utd	1-2	1-1	
King Tomislav v H'ville-Zagreb	1-0	1-2	
F'field West v Spanish Club	2-3	2-0	
Sydney Uni. v Nineveh Eagles	3-1	1-2	

INTER URBAN 2ND DIVISION

	I	II	III
Pagewood v Moorebank	2-4	4-1	
Chile Sports v Tr'dinos Sports	1-2	0-0	
C'town Gunners v Chelsea	2-1	1-0	
West St George v Sydney Maccabi	1-2	4-0	
Eastwood S/A v Chile Sports	1-2	4-0	
Tr'dinos Sports v West Utd	2-1	2-0	

INTER URBAN 3RD DIVISION

	I	II	III
Haberfield B/D's v Robins	3-3	2-3	
L'pool City v Macquarie Uni	2-3	3-0	
Macarthur Utd v Bl'town Wanders	4-0	3-1	
Ryde Dist. v Green Valley Utd	1-2	4-0	
Revesby Rovers v Sm'field Hotspurs	1-3	2-2	

INTER URBAN 4TH DIVISION

	I	II	III
Colo Colo v Rosebery	AB	2-2	

Dulwich Hill v Lithgow Wks	3-3	2-0
Murray Farm Rs v Chullora	3-1	1-0
Rangers Hajduk v Sth Sydney	5-0	10-1
Nepean Rovers v Hellas Poseidon	2-0	1-2
Blacktown Wkrs v Chullora	4-2	2-3

INTER URBAN 5TH DIV GRAND FINAL

Concord v Liverpool	2-1	2-1
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INTER URBAN 1ST 4TH DIVISION PTS

FIRST GRADE: Pt Hacking 32, King Tomislav 29, Fairfield Kiev 24, Maroubra Utd 23, Eastern Creek 22, Fairfield West 19, Hurst-Zagreb 17, Nineveh Eagles 16, Spanish 16, Concordia 14, Syd Uni 13, Wenty Waratahs 11.
SECOND GRADE: Maroubra Utd 33, Pt Hacking 23, Fairfield West 27, Nineveh Eagles 23, Eastern Creek 27, Syd Uni 22, Spanish 18, King Tom. 17, Concordia 15, Hurst-Zagreb 14, Fairfield Kiev 9, Wenty Waratahs 6.

FIRST GRADE: Campbelltown 26, Eastwood SA 24, Padstow Park 22, Moorebank 22, Chile Spts 18, Tras Sports 18, Syd Maccabi 17, Chelsea 16, West St George 14, Pagewood 13, West Utd 8.

SECOND GRADE: Campbelltown 29, Chelsea 26, Eastwood SA 24, Padstow Park 21, Pagewood 21, West 52, St George 20, Moorebank 17, Syd Maccabi 12, Tras Sports 10, Chile Sports 9, West Utd 7.

FIRST GRADE: Macarthur Utd 26, Macq. Uni 24, Hawkes Dist. 23, Green Valley 21, Blacktown 19, Haberfield 18, Smithfield 18, Ryde Dist. 17, Robin 17, Liverpool City 14, Rev Rovers 3.
SECOND GRADE: Ryde Dist. 33, Robins 30, Liverpool City 28, Macarthur Utd 25, Macq. Uni. 19, Green Valley 19, Smithfield 12, Blacktown Wanders 11, Hawkesbury 10, Rev Rovers 9, Haberfield 4.

FIRST GRADE: Rosebery 31, Murray Farm 28, Chullora 25, Rangers Hajduk 24, Nepean Rovers 22, Dulwich Hill 19, Hellas Poseidon 17, Colo Colo 17, Lithgow Wkrs 15, Blacktown Wkrs 15, Liverpool Rangs 12, Sth Sydney 11.

SECOND GRADE: Rosebery 34, Dulwich Hill 33, Murray Farm 29, Rangers Hajduk 24, Hellas Poseidon 24, Nepean Rovers 19, Blacktown Wkrs 17, Chullora 17, Liverpool Rangers 16, Colo Colo 15, Sth Sydney 7, Lithgow Wkrs 3.

LEADING SCORERS

Theodorakopoulos (CM) 16	Eaton (Ku) 11
Smith (Mly) 16	McKie (Mel) 10
Arnold (Cr) 14	Walker (Blk) 10
Reis (IM) 12	McLaughlin (Blk) 10

ROCKDALE SET PACE

NSW Second division State League club, Rockdale have been leading the competition for most of the season. Last year the club were relegated from the first division following a play-off with Bankstown.

This year under the guidance of prominent coach Iliya Takac, Rockdale have a great chance of taking out the second division competition. The club have signed up prominent players and it is this experience that has helped to develop the younger, less experienced ones.

Iliya is quite confident his side can take out the championship this season. "We have a good chance of winning the competition if we continue to maintain our momentum. That loss in the dying stages against Dee Why a couple of weeks ago could be crucial to our position at the end of the season," he said.

The club has a positive youth policy that has been used effectively this season. Young 16 year old player Vasco Nikolovski has played a couple of games for the first grade team and is tipped to have a big future in the game.

Tomorrow (Wednes-

day night) Vasco will play an important role for his school, Kogarah, in their grand final battle in the Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup competition at Marconi Oval.

At this stage of the season Rockdale are working hard in establishing their own home ground and at present two or three sites are under consideration. The club have played a majority of their games at Hurstville Oval this year.

With the experience of Branko Karanfilovski (ex Avala), Ross Brown (ex Cant-M'ville), Vick Juniecevic (ex Auburn, Riverwood) and David Smith (ex Riverwood), Rockdale can look forward to continued success in coming weeks and seasons.



Branko Karanfilovski (right) a vital asset

VICTORIAN STATE LEAGUE

THANKS JUVENTUS!

JUVENTUS came up from behind after being 2-0 down to win 3-2 against Melbourne Croatia, putting Green Gully in the box seat for the State League championship reports FRED VILLIERS.

"Thank you Juventus for giving us our third title in a row," said an excited Guy Spiteri, the Green Gully president, who watched the match at Olympic Park, on Sunday.

The previous day, Gully travelled to Latrobe Valley where they thrashed Morwell Falcons 3-0, and now lead with 34 points, two points ahead of joint runners-up Melbourne Croatia and Juventus.

The 3,500 crowd who saw the top-of-the-league clash between Juventus and Croatia really got value for money in one of the most exciting games seen at the Park this year.

Without their strikers Dave Brogan and Ossie Latif, the Croatians did well to go two goals up through Shaun Parton (38th minute) and Tommy Cumming (60th). Parton's goal came from a header after a perfect cross from

Joe Biskic while Cumming shot high from a Steve Gojevic pass.

Keeper Clayton couldn't hold the shot as he got his hands to the ball but it rolled back over his head into the net.

But things changed rapidly nine minutes later. Winger Andrew Zinni pulled one back to make it 2-1 and Kevin Swinscoe, unmarked, went through to hammer home the equaliser.

Ten minutes before the end, Juventus coach John Margaritis brought on Kevin Lloyd, and he found the winner with a low ball that beat Peter Blasby all the way.

Croatia had lost their most important game of the year because the opposition was more hungry for the ball in the second half.

Said Juventus team manager Joe Caruso:

"Next week we'll beat Green Gully and Croatia could be back on top again."

Tony Vrzina's Northcote were brilliant in beating Albion Rovers away 4-0 with two goals from Steve Moore while Ringwood City (third from the bottom) crashed again 4-2 to Box Hill in a local derby at Wembley Park.

Croydon City drew 1-1 at home to Doveton, Paul Wade and Stan Webster scored the goals. George Cross held Maribyrnong at Sunshine to a 1-1 draw. Roger Bain scored for Cross while Alan Marshall netted Maribyrnong's goal.

Fawkner can thank their two Brunos — Sabadusi and Cozzella — for their two goals in their 2-1 victory over South Melbourne.

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YOUTH LEAGUE TRIALS

A.P.I.A. Junior Soccer Club, will be holding their Youth League trials for the Under 13s, 14s, 15s and 16s, for the 1984 Soccer season.

The trials will be held on the following dates, commencing at 6pm SHARP, at Timbrell Park, Henley Marine Drive, Five Dock, on October 18th, 20th, 25th, 27th.

For further information, please contact:
Mr Tony Raciti, 798 4122.

TOP FOUR LOOK SET

THE cream has risen to the top of Queensland's Premier League competition and the present top four sides look set to fight out the finals.

Leading sides Olympic, Mount Gravatt, Grange Thistle and Ipswich fought out the Ampol Cup semi-finals last weekend and it would take some shock results not to see them in the Premier League finals late in September.

Runaway early leaders Eastern Suburbs have crashed in the past six weeks, with suspensions and injuries not helping, and finally slipped out of the four

Their place has been taken by Ipswich United while Brisbane Lions, after an inconsistent start, have suddenly found form and also positioned themselves above Easts

SURGERY FOR DOLAN

QUEENSLAND midfielder Steve Dolan is to have a knee cartilage operation in an attempt to get back on the field.

Dolan, 27, a former Australian Under 23 representative and a Queensland regular in the mid-70's has missed much of this season with a knee injury.

He attempted to make a comeback in Thistle's last game against Brisbane Lions but twisted his knee and had to be carried off on a stretcher.

It climaxed a tragic run of injuries for Dolan over the past three years that has seen him fight back time and again.

Brisbane Lions trialed the talented midfielder last season but abandoned plans to go ahead with his transfer, partly on the fact they believed his knee was still suspect.

But Dolan is hoping the operation will once and for all end his major injury woes.

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THE Queensland Soccer Federation is now only weeks away from naming the 10 clubs to participate in the new Premier League competition next season.

After introducing a tough two-page list of criteria more than a month ago outlining standards Premier League aspirants must meet, the Federation this week sent out a circular asking clubs to indicate in which League they wanted to play next season.

The move was initially designed to give the four-man restructuring committee a guideline, but also gives one or two struggling present Premier League clubs the opportunity to bow out gracefully, rather than be axed.

Admittedly Ipswich, Lions and Easts are all on 20 points but that should

BY GREG RUSSELL

change when the coalminers visit the Tigers at Heath Park this weekend.

Lions could maintain their challenge when they visit Valley Trident. Many critics had written off the financially-troubled Valley Trident for the remainder of the season but the Blues showed they still had some fight left when they came back to edge out North Star 4-3

Lions' youngsters should have too much spirit for the older Valleys, now playing without goalkeeper Martin Coe, who announced his retirement for the remainder of the season.

Mount Gravatt, who are locked on points and goal difference with Olympic at the top, get a chance to move ahead of the Greeks when they play Brisbane City on Sunday.

City had a pleasing 1-1 draw with Olympic in their last match but will find it hard to hold the experienced Mount Gravatt.

Olympic, on the other hand, have a much tougher clash at Lanham Park on Saturday night when they take on Thistle.

Thistle can't afford to lose, as a win by Lions and Ipswich would see the Grange side slip out of the four. A draw is a more likely result.

In other matches next weekend, Sunnyside, who caused the surprise of the last round in beating Ipswich 3-1, host Taringa while Acacia Ridge plays North Star.

WHAT'S UP DOC?

BY STEVE BURNS

TOMMY DOCHERTY, raconteur and Soccer manager and coach extraordinaire, is Canberra Arrows' guest at their Supporters Club fund-raising dinner on August 24.

Arrows' administrator, Karen Grega, said the club was thrilled that Docherty had accepted the invitation to be guest speaker.

"He can usually be relied upon to be thoroughly entertaining — and, occasionally, controversial," said Karen.

The subject of the talk, of course, will be the round ball code.

The dinner will be an evening affair at the Downer Olympic Soccer club and bookings are now open.

They can be made on Canberra 480708 or 485595.

Clarence, title aspirants in Tasmania's Rothmans League Division 1. BACK ROW (Left to Right): P. Rogers, F. Goward, A. Hanlon, S. Young, N. Morrisson, C. Marlor, S. Potter, K. Pless (Coach). FRONT ROW (Left to Right): M. Case, B. Murtagh, A. White, M. Richman, L. Weir, G. White, J. White.

AS TO PLAY IN TASMANIA

BY "VAN DIEMEN"

A SOUTHERN Tasmanian youth team will play the Australian Institute of Sport in Glenorchy on Saturday. The AIS will also play a Northern Tasmanian representative team on the following day in Launceston.

The AIS made a similar visit to Tasmania last season and beat both a senior "State of Origin" team in Glenorchy, and a northern selection in Devonport.

The southern squad is: Lino Taglieri (Caledonians), Matthew Rich-

man, Brett Murtagh (Clarence), Ibro Cahut, Paul Fujanic (Croatia-Glenorchy), Nick Marino (Hobart City), Carlo Ambrosino, Alistair Coghane, Darren Bacon, Sergio Pace (Juventus-Pioneer), Greg Ashwood (Metro-Claremont),

JUVENTUS ON TOP

BY "VAN DIEMEN"

JUVENTUS-PIONEER regained the leadership of Tasmania's Cadbury State League with a 2-1 win over White Eagles.

The Italian side had relinquished its lead six weeks ago, but, with all teams now having only five matches to play, it is back at the top, one point in front of Croatia-Glenorchy and Rapid-West Point.

John Michniewski made a welcome reappearance in the White Eagles goal following a two month lay-off because of injury and his brilliance almost cost Juventus a point.

Bruce Ward fired home the opening goal in the 36th minute after a precise pass from Carlo Ambrosino. Andrew Leszczynski equalised for White Eagles within a minute when he intercepted Burton's attempted back-pass and curled the ball around the advancing Craven.

Both scorers were substituted through injury within the hour, however, and the game turned into a fierce end-to-end struggle. John Broadhouse, who had hit the bar with a sizzling drive in the first half, created Juventus' winner in the 68th minute when he beat the goalkeeper with a cheeky back-heel.

The ball rolled towards goal and looked to be going over when Ronnie Di Felice arrived on the scene and slammed it into the net just to make sure.

Rapid-West Point is in the box seat to retain the

title. It beat Metro-Claremont 4-2 after being a goal down at half time to move into third place on goal difference, only a point behind the leader.

Dale Blake, with a hat-trick, and Tommy Wilson were Rapid's scorers, while John McIntyre scored twice for Metro who were handicapped by the loss of goalkeeper Burden and defender Tye after the interval.

The representative match between the Northern and Southern State Leagues in Launceston ended in a 3-3 draw. In a hard, physical clash, Peter Sawdon put the North in front after only seven minutes.

Steven Kannegesser put the South on level terms four minutes later.

McGrory headed in the North's second from Frame's cross in the 15th minute to give the North a 2-1 half time lead.

Parkes made it 3-1 two minutes into the second period when he rifled home a shot following a corner but Ian Parker put the Southerners back into the game by scoring off a

TASMANIAN CADBURY STATE LEAGUE STANDINGS:

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Juventus	16	11	1	4	34	15
Croatia	16	10	2	4	37	24
Rapid	16	10	2	4	29	20
Olympia	16	7	5	4	41	26
Caledonians	16	6	4	6	33	27
Metro	16	4	4	8	23	31
University	16	5	0	11	23	49
White Eagles	16	2	0	14	18	46

Robert Harrison, Chris Hey, Craig Nichols (Olympia), and Andrew Leszczynski (White Eagles). Emergencies: Tim Robins, David Nichols (Caledonians), Romeo Fabrizio (Juventus-Pioneer).

The squad will be coached by Glyn Jenkins who coached Tasmania's Under 18 side to a semi-final place in this year's National Youth Championship in Canberra. Jenkins is looking forward to the coming encounter and hopes many local fans will attend the match.

"I'd like to see a lot there," he says.

"It is a youth side and six of the boys represented us in Canberra and did a really good job. I think people should come along. The other players won't be 'youth' players next year and it will give people a chance to see who's coming up into the seniors."

Jenkins hasn't any particular strategy for the game. He says his aim is "to try and get us to play as a team, look like a team, and enjoy the game".

Two former greats of Tasmanian Soccer are al-



so involved with the squad.

George Arnott is the manager and Bernard Siggins is masseur. Both were star players with Caledonians in past years.

post with a low shot after 69 minutes.

A penalty for hand ball was converted by Forster in injury time to give the South a somewhat fortuitous draw.

DETAILS: Juventus-Pioneer 2 White Eagles 1, Metro-Claremont 2 Rapid West-Point 4, Northern State League 3 Southern State League 3.

S.A. WANTS FOUR TEAMS IN THE NSL

BY TOM McKAIN

SOUTH AUSTRALIA is pressing for four clubs in the National Soccer League 24-team proposal.

It feels this is essential if the local State League is to benefit from the new set-up.

The feeling is that if only West and Adelaide City remain in the NSL, there will be no incentive for other clubs to aim for the "big time".

The SA Federation Board wants four teams and one of them — the lowest of the four each year — to be relegated so as to encourage the locals

then Azzurri 17 and Beograd, West, and Polonia with 16 each.

Salisbury is streaking away with the Second Division after buying big at the start of the year.

As a "non-ethnic" club and situated 12 miles from Adelaide's city centre, Salisbury must come into contention.

There is a huge British population in the town itself, and the Para Hills and Elizabeth areas



clubs to gain promotion to the national scene.

The move would also ensure that West and City kept on their toes to avoid the drop.

In the last couple of seasons, they have spent little on players, and their enthusiasm has waned with no threat of relegation hanging over their efforts.

Croatia, Beograd, Azzurri, Polonia, Para Hills and Salisbury have all said they want to be considered for a NSL regional competition.

They are staking strong claims.

Croatia is top of the table with 19 points followed by Para Hills on 18

which are joined to it make a massive northern area with thousands of potential supporters.

Most of the British "ethnics" in the area support Australian Rules club Central Districts.

Para can stake the same claims as Salisbury, but the latter has one advantage — a dynamic sponsor in Steve Jarvis, of Jarvis Ford, who has already said he has the money for any affiliation fee — and two more sponsors who will back a National League club.

With cash and excellent facilities, Salisbury could get the nod, but who would join them in anyone's guess.

STH. AUSTRALIA

LIKE the champion fighter, Croatia line up again this week, against title contenders trying to knock them off the top of the table, with only three rounds to go

Having disposed of Polonia 1-nil, at the latter's ground to go two points clear on 21, they are at home to Beograd, third with 18, on Saturday.

Beograd had a 2-1 win over Campbelltown but the big shock was the 1-nil defeat at home of last year's champions, Azzurri, by second-bottom Elizabeth, who are now in eighth place.

Azzurri slipped to fifth (17 points) and have to visit the unpredictable Birkalla who crushed bottom side Port Adelaide 3-nil to remain seventh.

Para Hills got a shock when Wests held them 1-1 at home which lifted Wests into fourth spot and left Para still second but two points behind Croatia.

Para have to visit Campbelltown (ninth) and while this looks an easy game, the home side, like Birkalla, has been inconsistent and is just as likely to win.

Wests can stay in contention with a home win over Port, but anything can happen to Polonia, still sixth on 16 points, when they visit Elizabeth, eighth on 12 points.

NSW "ATTACK" YOUTH LEAGUE

Well over 1,000 spectators saw some excellent finals at Marconi Stadium on Saturday. Marconi was successful in U15 and U16 grades, APIA-Leichhardt in U14 and Illawarra in U13. Marconi U16s showed speed and aggression to run out winners in a close game. Their defence blanketed Chris Kalantzis in the second half. Marconi U15 dominated Illawarra after their goalkeeper Joe Micaleff dived to save a Rodney Williams penalty. Canterbury covered themselves with glory by taking two chances to force APIA U14 into extra time but APIA went on to prove themselves with their superior skill. In U13 Illawarra steamrolled Sydney Olympic 4-0, with Jamie Warren, son of Geoff and nephew of Johnny Warren, scoring twice.

FINAL SCORES

U16: Marconi 1 (G. McCulloch), Sydney Olympic 0, Marconi 3 (Fontana 2, Bitmanoo), Illawarra 4. U14: APIA 4 (Neate 2, Genovese, Zappia), Canterbury Assn 2 (Byrnes, Barrett). U13: Illawarra 4 (Warren 2, Hull, Perry), Sydney Olympic 0.

METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIPS R13

	U10	U11	U12
St George v Ku-ring-gai			3-0
Central Coast v Manly			2-3
South & Eastern v Canterbury	2-2	1-2	2-4
Nepean v Granville	0-1	0-0	2-1
Gladesville v Blacktown		0-2	1-1
Sutherland v Southern Dists		1-2	0-0
Bankstown v Illawarra	2-0	1-0	0-1

POINTS

U12: Nepean 21, St George 20, Illawarra 19, Sutherland 19, Granville 18, Southern Dists 18, Canterbury 17, Gladesville 12, South & Eastern 6, Bankstown 6, Central Coast 6, Manly 5, Blacktown 5, Ku-ring-gai 4.

Games yet to be played: Nepean v Manly, Illawarra v Granville, Illawarra v Central Coast.

U11: Blacktown 16, Bankstown 16, Granville 14, St George 14, Central Coast 12, Canterbury 11.

Games yet to be played: Illawarra v Central Coast, Illawarra v Granville.

U10: Bankstown 9, Granville 8, Illawarra 7, Canterbury 6, Nepean 6, Blacktown 3, South & Eastern 1.

Games to be played: Granville v Illawarra.

NSW CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

Granville teams to Orana (Dubbo); Southern Dists to Albury; Sutherland to Griffith; Gladesville to Orange; Manly to Shoalhaven; St George to Wagga; Illawarra to Macarthur; Ku-ring-gai to Mitchell (Bathurst); Blacktown to Far South Coast (Bega); Southern & Eastern to Southern Tablelands (Goulburn); Bankstown to South West Slopes (Young); Canterbury to Highlands (Bowral); Nepean bye. (Full details for Round 1 Sun Sept 18 to be advised).

NORTHERN NSW

CENTRAL COAST kept up their serious challenge for premiership honours with a devastating 5-2 win over High Field Azzurri while narrow-leaders **Weston** kept ahead through a 2-nil winning margin against **Hamilton Red Star**.

WESTON 2 (Sweeney, Johns) bt **Hamilton Red Star** nil.

CENTRAL COAST 5 (Bryden 2, Eggleton, Hamill, Tait) bt **High Field Azzurri 2** (Smith, Lawrence).

WEST WALLSEND 1 (Shipley) bt **Lake Macquarie** nil.

BELMONT SWANSEA 3 (Bull, Harrower, Pettit) bt

WESTON 37.

CENTRAL COAST 36

ADAMSTOWN 30

WEST WALLSEND 26

LAKE MACQUARIE 24

HIGH FIELD AZZURRI 21

BELMONT SWANSEA 20

HAMILTON RED STAR 14

Famworth City 1 (Hartley).

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STANDING: Jean Lovelock (manager), Katrina Shoblum, Abigail Gassman, Trudi Clasper, Michelle Cuddy, Melissa Cuddy, Dawn Clark, Tania Rowney, Janie Shoblum, Jan Taylor. KNEELING: Jodi Walker, Tracey Lovelock, Merradean Ewers, Kylie Robinson, Desiree Hill, Shelly Lumb.

SEEING DOUBLE

SUTHERLAND U/15 Girls Rep team are having a good year in Soccer. This is the first time that many of the girls have played in this level of Soccer and they are finding the difference quite marked from club Soccer.

Jodi Walker has been selected in the State team and the whole team is delighted at her success.

The Sutherland girls claim a first. They have two sets of identical twins in the team. Jean Lovelock, the team manageress, said: "I have known these twins since they were quite young and I still can't pick them."

Some referees do a double-take when the girls line up.

— Glen Robinson

McGOLD!



THESE TWO young men have just joined an elite group of Australian Junior Soccer footballers.

They have both gained their gold McDonald's Award, putting them into a group which has the highest ball skills in Junior Soccer.

At the beginning of this year only 44 players in Australia had achieved this award, which demands accuracy as well as complete concentration.

John Consentino (left) and Carlos Zambala (right), pictured holding their awards, have played in the same team for several years.

They are currently playing in Wests' under 12 division 1 team, which is coming second in the Canterbury and District Soccer Football Association Saturday morning competition.

— Helen Saad

FAVOURITE PLAYER WINNER

THIS week's sports bag from Mark Jankovics and The Sports Centre Pty Ltd goes to James Allen of Peakhurst, who is a fan of Australian international Jim Cant of Sydney City. Here is what he says.

Jimmy Cant is under-rated but always puts in a maximum effort. Jim is not fast, but has great ball control and ability to read a game superbly. I've never seen Jim lose his temper, he respects the referee and player. Before and after matches Jim talks to children, and shows interest while listening.

I wish they were more like him.

RUNNERS-UP were Mario Bulic of Guildford, who likes Croatia-Sydney striker Graeme Arnold and to Ray Komminos (9) of Abbotsford, whose hero is Sydney Olympic's Soccerroo midfielder Peter Katholos.



Jane and Katrina Shoblum (or is it Katrina and Jane?)



Michelle and Melissa Cuddy (or is it...?)



WINNER TO UNITED

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

SCHOOL holiday time is just around the corner and with it a crop of Soccer clinics are readily available for young players to learn the finer points of the game from the professionals.

One such clinic is Star Soccer Camps and a lucky boy from the Super Squad will receive a four-week scholarship to the world famous Manchester United Club during November.

This will be the third time that the scholarship with Manchester United has operated.

The scholarship winner will be announced at the conclusion of the Star Soccer Camps to be held at Sydney Sports Ground from August 29 to September 2.

The Super Squad underwent regular coaching throughout the season and trained each Monday evening at Kensington Oval.

They were put through vigorous paces in advanced skills and techniques by camp director and former international John Doyle.

The purpose of this squad is to provide specialised coaching for the more talented players from the Star Soccer Camps membership.

SEND IN YOUR TEAM PICTURES!

AT THIS time of the year so many teams — literally thousands — are obtaining team pictures, and action pictures abound. If you would like to see your team and players in **AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY** over coming weeks and months, send them to us at Box 406 P.O. Broadway NSW 2007. Mark them, if you require them to be returned after use.

And we are just as vitally interested in your news items also.

ASW's big circulation means that your news goes much further across the whole Australian Soccer fraternity than through any other Soccer journal. Don't forget to caption your pictures as comprehensively as possible.

FOOT WORK, SKYWARDS!



AHEAD ON LEVITATION



Ten of the squad, heading practice. Each boy can do 100, with 609 the best! The "eagle eye" at right is David Lee. ABOVE: Damian Kuncze, Rod Jackson and Andy Mihalj, practicing bicycle kicks.

'SUPER INTAKE'

THE Blacktown City Soccer Academy will make another intake of players in September. The scheme, involving the learning of Soccer skills rather than participating in competition matches, remains revolutionary.

The scheme has been going forward under the direction of David Lee, Australia's most highly qualified Australian-born coach.

A specialist in youth development, he holds the FIFA Coaching Diploma and the English Full Coaching Licence.

David has insisted that all youngsters joining his squad put education first, as few will ever earn their living from Soccer.

He is used exclusively by the University of Sydney, Ku-ring-gai College of Advanced Education and the Australian College of Physical Education for this work.

He also is employed by the NSW Dept of Education to hold in-service courses and by the Dept of Sports, Leisure and Tourism to lecture at various centres.

By the end of 1984 Blacktown City, whose first courses were commenced under the guidance of clubs secretary Peter Thorne and former National Coach Rale Rasic, will have pumped \$60,000 in four years to develop young players.

The new intake will take the numbers to 33 players.

Boys living within 20 kilometres of Blacktown, with better than average ability, born in 1972 and prepared to train ten

months of the year can try out to become "Blacktown Super-Kids".

An enrolment form can be obtained by ringing

Blacktown City Soccer Club on 624 3344.

If more particulars are needed, ring David Lee on 84 4070 between 3pm and 4.30pm.

Those important trials will be held at the Gabbie Stadium Sunday August 21 at 1pm and Monday August 22 at 4pm.

WAHROONGA LOVES TOMMY!



TURRAMURRA Oval was recently the venue for an extraordinary training session by the Wahroonga Soccer club.

The occasion was the 6th annual Pie Night and the players were privileged to train under the Australian Youth captain Tommy McCulloch for an hour before taking the popular refreshments, pies and drinks.

The junior players, aged Under 7 to Under 10, watched training films in the Go for Goals series and had a great time on Wednesday (27th July).

The following night it was the turn of the seniors, Under 11 to All age, to pay their dollar and they certainly had value for money this year.

The Young Soccerroo McCulloch treated his eager fans to an entertaining question and answer session in which he

Tommy McCulloch answers a question put to him by Keith Lucas (hand raised) of the Wahroonga Soccer Club.

On Wednesday night the confusion before the match as to the correct time of the kick-off upset the Saints rhythm as they found themselves warming up for half an hour as the opposition arrived an hour late.

Despite this, St George didn't play well and the Leichhardt midfield and attack broke through time and again. Leichhardt should have netted seven or eight times.

A rather soft goal opened the scoring in the 19th minute when Van Egmond flicked a De Filippis corner home from six metres.

Three minutes into the second Tony Genovese of Leichhardt was brought down in the box and the referee immediately awarded a penalty. Polias however hit the shot too close to the keeper and diving to his right, Fraser saved well.

It wasn't until the 66th minute that they wrapped up the game when Tony Genovese slotted the ball home.

At Marconi Stadium, St George shook off their midweek defeat at the hands of lowly Leichhardt, by disposing of Marconi in no uncertain terms.

Despite the fact that Marconi led 1-0 at half-time the match always looked destined to be a St George win and goals from Wilson and Col. aguri in the second half sealed the match for the second placed side.

AIS moved two positions up the ladder following their fine victory over Leichhardt. Goals came from Warren Spink, who scored twice, and Jones.

Sydney Olympic completely dominated a depleted Canberra at O'Connor Reserve on Saturday. Canberra could only manage to field nine players due to injuries in both the youth team and senior side. Sertbas opened the scoring a minute before half time after good back up work from Dounis.

Goals were added by Koussas and Svinos and the result was never in any doubt.

Sydney City defeated Newcastle at Gosford by two goals to nil. Without the services of Mullen, Rodrigues and Fletcher, the Slickers were still too powerful for the young Raiders. Goals being scored by Haslam and Sargent after the Slickers had led 1-0 at half time.

dealt with more than 50 intelligently put questions.

He discussed his career and in particular his participation in the World Youth Championships in Mexico.

McCulloch willingly signed the many autograph hunters' books and drew the raffle for the Tango World Cup ball which was won by Under 12 member Steve Morton. With 234 people turning up for the Junior night and over 150 for the Senior function the Pie night idea is an unqualified success. (Photo by Rudy Pops)

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

THERE were five matches played during the week. The deferred match was won by Leichhardt, beating the more fancied St George 2-0 last Wednesday night at St George Stadium. On Saturday Sydney Olympic clashed with Canberra, both in second place, and Olympic won well 3-0. AIS defeated the plucky Leichhardt 3-0 at Bruce Stadium; Sydney City continued its domination with a 2-0 win in Gosford against Newcastle and St George bounced back after its midweek defeat to outplay Marconi and win 2-1.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	P
Sydney City	19	14	2	3	51	23	+28	44
St George	18	10	2	6	33	25	+8	32
Sydney Olympic	18	10	2	6	34	26	+8	32
Canberra	20	9	2	9	30	30	-	29
A.I.S.	18	7	5	6	24	20	+3	26
Newcastle	18	8	2	8	29	27	+2	26
Marconi	19	6	6	7	28	27	+1	24
Leichhardt	18	3	4	11	21	41	-20	13
Wollongong	18	1	5	12	16	47	-31	8

Goals	Player	Club
15	Tony Caban	Newcastle
13	Manis Lamond	Canberra
9	Grant Sargent	Sydney City
8	Warren Spink	A.I.S.
7	Ian Souness	Sydney City
7	Graeme Fletcher	Sydney City
7	Simon Brandt	Newcastle
6	Dominic Giannone	Marconi
6	Phil Redmond	Canberra

KIWI SPICE

THE presence of the New Zealand under 15 national team in the Australian Championships at Cromer Park will add spice to the competition between the states.

The Kiwis will play on a 'no points' basis and then will come the crunch game.

Australia will play New Zealand at the St George Soccer Stadium on Sunday, September 4 at 1pm as early fixture to the St George v Adelaide City National Soccer League match.

Here is the chance for a huge body of people interested in junior and amateur Soccer to band together behind the Aussie team.

National Director of Coaching Eric Worthington will be at the interstate matches to select the

Australian team.

So it won't matter from which states the players come, they will be fighting to win a place for Australia throughout the Australian Championship series.

There are not enough games conducted between New Zealand and Australia at either junior international, schools, club or Association level.

With the Soccer reputations of both sister countries on the line this will be a great opportunity for the boys to do well and for the public to enjoy a feast of Soccer.

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ON THE MARK



Brisbane North's Mark Fisher on the attack and looking for an opening in the Central Queensland defence at the recent under 15 State titles at Bundaberg.

HAIL HILL!

CRAIG Hill from the Sutherland U14 Rep team has gone on a scoring spree in recent weeks: 12 goals in four matches! In two of those matches, he achieved hat



tricks, scoring four goals in each game.

Craig, who has been playing as a defender all year, was moved to the striker position for the Polonia Cup competition and his coach Ian Huddleston is delighted with the result.

Craig's goals have been — 4 against St George, 2 against North Bankstown, 2 against ACT Reps (a friendly game) and 4 against Melita.



Illawarra-Wollongong City's U13 team. (L to r) rear: Coach Brian Bott, Perri, J. Warren, M. Bonetig, J. Allport, I. Padewski, M. Del Ben, J. Higgs, Manager Ross Warren. (Front): P. Bott, E. Classen, S. Hull, S. Hawkens, M. Troth, S. Beattie.

RINGING IN THE FUTURE

WOLLONGONG Wolves senior side might be having nightmares this year but not so their talented junior Wolf Cubs.

They are certainly keeping the club's morale high and the U-13s in particular have a string of successes to their credit.

Wolves Chairman, Laurie Kelly M.P., said he was delighted with their success because it made all the hard work that has gone into establishing the Wolves worthwhile.

Following agreement with the Illawarra Soccer Association, the club's Youth programme got under way in 1982 when the Wolves took under their wing the Illawarra Representative side U-13s, 14s, 15s and 16s.

The lads in these teams are the cream of Illawarra junior Soccer and they will form the nucleus of Wollongong City future senior sides.

Their success rate has been exceptional and already a number of the U-16s have gone through to the Club's Youth Squad.

Warren Baker recently made a very successful NSL debut and could soon be cementing his place as a first team regular.

But top honours for success stories must surely go to the Wollongong City/Illawarra U-13s who this year have just taken out the "Mini Ampol Cup" defeating a strong St George team 2-nil.

The team also finished 5 points clear of Sutherland in their division of the NSW Youth League

for U-13s, topping Pool B. In doing so they scored 61 goals and only conceded 4 in 18 outings — what a tremendous performance!

Four of the players — Ian Padewski (Coledale), Jamie Warren (Kiama), Simon Hull and Mineo Bonetig (Albion Park) have been selected in a squad of 18 to represent NSW in the National Titles to be held in Alice Springs.

The team, coached by Brian Bott and managed by Ross Warren, has played together since 1980.

In that time, in addition to the Mini Ampol Cup, they have won Metropolitan and State titles, the Sid Tanner Memorial Cup and the Banana Cup at Coffs Harbour.

Whilst the U-13s have stolen the limelight, the other three teams have done very well too. The U-15s this year also finished on top of their pool. In this League, which fields teams from central and Southern NSW coastal areas as well as Metropolitan Sydney, only St George bettered this for a club result when their U-14s finished 3rd in their Pool.

U-14s: Todd Austin, Wayne Lowe, Adam Weekes, Declyn Dowd,

Greg Potts, Darren McRae, Steven Morris, John Webb, Marco Ljubec, Damien Jackson, Barry Yeaman, Gorin Trajceski, Paul Kirk, Dusko Skurtevski, Chris Douglas, Philip Carter. Coach Glen Fontana (former Wolves striker and now with Avala). Manager Len Lowe.

U-16s: Paul Ainger, John Brown, Andrew Madison, Geoffrey Stiff, Luigi Belsito, Robert Hocking, Robert Bem, Paul McGarry, Tom Krkovski, Michael Newlyn, Scott Simpson, John Cairney, Philip Gann, Robert Bratjanskak, Chris Peros, Alan James. Coach Dawson Brown. Manager Vic Madison.

U-16s: Craig Ashford, Andrew Christie, Joseph Coehlo, Anthony Donnelly, Richard Gabatel, Ronald Glass, Robert Glen, Darren Jones, Paul Lawrence, Len Matthews, John McGrath, Beau Muzik, Jimmy Naumovski, Craig Potter, Philip Raynor, Doug Smith, Craig Potter, Tim Warren. Coach Colin Cropper. Manager Alex Christie.

Mr Kelly said he is confident that many of the lads in these teams will go on to become household names in Australia.



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OOPS! SORRY AUBURN



Last week you may have thought that the team under the Auburn U16 caption was somewhat young. Well, they were the Auburn 13s, who have plenty of quality but not quite the size. This week we make it up to the U16s by reproducing their team picture.

READERS FORUM

In this spot every week, we shall publish extracts from readers' letters — good or bad! If you want your opinions aired, please keep letters and postcards short and to the point. Write to The Editor, Australian Soccer Weekly, 261 Broadway, NSW 2007.

AMAZING

THE editorial comment in Australia's Soccer papers never ceases to amaze. Last week's in ASW was a classic. George Best was brought to Australia to boost, and I quote "the Brisbane club's miserable attendances. The gamble has not paid dividends." Unquote.

As an ex-director of Lions I happen to know that the club budgeted for a home gate of \$1,500 for the last four home matches of season 1982. The figure was arrived at from existing data. This monetary figure would be converted into approximately 700 paying adults, remembering that ladies and pensioners get in at a reduced rate. There has been little to suggest that this figure would have altered going by the attendances at the few home games I have attended this season.

George Best played three home games for Lions. I did not attend the first game but would expect it to be the best attended. I did however attend the remaining two games and would give the opinion that they were attended by around 2,000 and 1,500 respectively. It should also be added that the entry charge for Best's matches were increased by \$1.

Contrary to your statement George Best did increase Lions gates both in people and finance.

The more insidious side of general comment on Best's visit has not been an insult to Best or Lions, rather it has been an indictment on the intelligence of those making the comment. Anyone who would expect Best to show the public the type of entertainment he supplied in the late 60's is naive, or a fool, or both. With 15 years age and 10 years out of top class competition and preparation behind him, Best did no more than anyone with any real knowledge of the game expected from him. The subtle use of the first time pass, the uncanny skill in bringing the ball under control, and the truly professional skill of always being in space to collect a pass that more than often did not come. That Lions did not win all the games in which Best played is nothing more than a statement we have all heard from writers before; no one man makes a team.

For your interest Bob Latchford and Alan Sunderland also increased Lions "gates" when they played in Brisbane.

JIM BINNIE,
Auchenflower,
Brisbane.

THIRD GRADE

As a member of the Campbelltown City third grade side, currently in the State League Division three, I wish to complain

about the continual exclusion of the third division, third grade table from your paper. This, I might say, is the only fault I find in your excellent publication and I hope that it will be rectified soon to assure continued support to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY by myself and team-mates.

Brian Smart.

NOT AT HOME

AS A follower of Soccer and principally St George Budapest for many years, I sometimes wonder if my district club (and, for that matter, Sydney City) ever really consider their supporters who go to every home match whatever the weather or how unattractive the visiting team might appear to be.

Breaking new Soccer ground is, theoretically fine, but to take last season's grand final away from loyal supporters of both clubs; and this year to take a home game which would have drawn an average gate of between 3,000-4,000 people to Lismore is almost beyond belief. To see a splendid venue like Barton Park locked up when St George should have been enjoying "home ground advantage" is, I feel, very poor treatment for district supporters.

PETER WESTON,
Bexley.

PUNCH UP

RECENTLY I decided to visit King Tomislav Oval to see the Croatia v Avala games and I must say how disgusted I was with the situation that caused the second grade to be abandoned.

We know that there is keen rivalry between these two clubs but the conduct of those people responsible can do nothing but harm to the Soccer code and they should be dealt with severely.

During the second half in second grade there were quite a number of infringements that were dealt with by the referee. But one Croatia player in particular seemed bent on making trouble, and following a tackle by an Avala player he aimed a number of blows and was sent from the field.

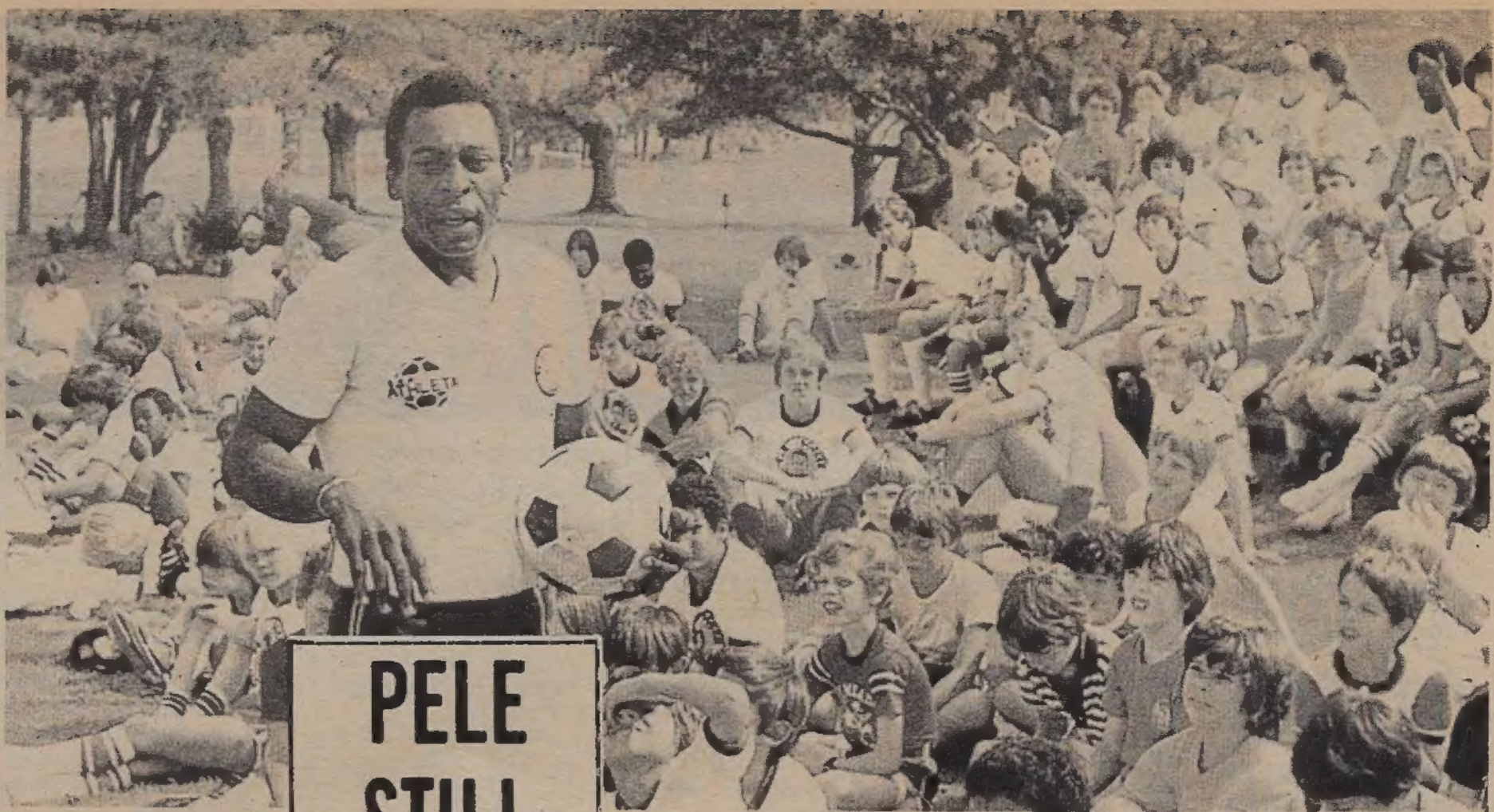
As he walked past the Avala bench an official from Avala rushed on to the field and punched the Croatia player in the face.

It took firm handling by Police and Croatia ground officials to control the ugly scene. After some minutes the referee called both teams off the field and abandoned the game.

We can only hope that the NSW Federation will deal with this in a severe manner.

If we do not have discipline and self control within club management how can we hope to control the ratbag element on the terraces?

Soccer fanatic.
GEORGE STEER,
Castle Hill.



MORE DELAY ON



ZICO

THE ZICO saga goes on and on. The magnificent Brazilian was apparently cleared to play for Udinese in Italy after first being refused permission by the Italian Football Federation.

Now, due to Udinese's reluctance to fork out the huge transfer fee immediately, Zico's Brazilian club Flamengo are again claiming they want their star to return.

Flamengo are demanding a down payment of \$1,700,000 right now. If it

PELE STILL SCORES

THE GREAT Pele still enjoys a game of football — even though he's turned 42.

Pele turned out recently in a big charity match for the flood victims of southern Brazil — and scored a goal after six minutes.

The match, played in Golan near the capital Brasilia, attracted 45,000 spectators. That's not surprising when you consider some of the players involved.

A combined Rio — Sao Paulo — Minas team lost 2-1 to Brazil South and the teams included players like Edinho, Junior, Falcao, Eder, Edevaldo and, of course, Pele.

SWEDE BASHING

IT happened in a street in the town of Lulea in Sweden. The touring Birmingham City players were shopping when they were accosted by a bunch of young drunk Swedes, who demanded money for drink.

The players refused the cash and the youths set about them.

Midfielder Howard Gayle suffered most. He was hit in the face with a club and the blow broke his nose.

Team manager Ron Saunders said: "Howard tried to defend himself but was aggressively attacked."

Gayle had to pull out of Birmingham's last tour match.

AJAX MISS THE BOAT

MICHEL Van Der Korput has signed for Feyenoord — much to the annoyance of rival Dutch club Ajax.

Van Der Korput has been playing with Torino in Italy but when the Italians decided he was surplus to requirements, he said he wanted to return to Holland.

Although Ajax were named as the most likely team to get him, Van Der Korput decided he'd rather go to Rotterdam than Amsterdam.

NICK OK!

MIDFIELDER Peter Nicholas of Arsenal was rushed to hospital in West Germany when it was feared he had broken a leg on the Gunners German pre-season tour.

Now for the good news — x-rays revealed no fracture and Nicholas was released from hospital.



Jozef Venglos.

VENGLOS HEADACHE

JOZEF VENGLOS, an old friend to Australian Soccer, has been grappling with a king-sized headache over the move of Yugoslavian international goalkeeper Alex Stojanovic from Red Star to Sporting Lisbon.

Venglos, now coaching Sporting, invited Stojanovic to Lisbon to sign for his club, but when the goalkeeper arrived, Stojanovic discovered the Portuguese club wanted him to undergo a trial period before signing.

"You can't treat people like that," said an angry Stojanovic before being sent home to Belgrade. "Sporting know my ability. It's like asking Bobby Fischer to prove he's a good chess player."

■■■

BAYER LEVERKUSEN are keen to sign Korean Bum Kun Cha although he carries a frightening transfer fee of \$700,000. Bayer coach Dettmar Cramer says: "We have

already had more than a million dollars sponsorship from the Bayer chemical company. They should go all the way and pay for Cha because he's just the player we need."

UK SOCCER SCENE

TAYLOR, CLOUGH MEETING

INTERESTING to note that long-serving Derby County player Steve Powell will have a Testimonial match — the teams being

Derby and Nottingham Forest.

Derby boss Peter Taylor and Forest manager Brian Clough hardly have a kind word for each other, although they were bosom pals for so many years. That's why this match is "interesting."

Clough's latest comment on Taylor was: "He's lost the one friend he had in the world... me!"

FILLERY TRAINS ALONE

CHELSEA chairman Ken Bates says he is interested only in players proud to wear the Chelsea shirt and proud to be idolised by the fans.

That's why star midfielder Mike Fillery was left behind in London when his team mates travelled

to Aberystwyth in Wales for pre-season training.

Bates says Fillery can ponder on his future while he trains on his own at Stamford Bridge.

Fillery stays with Chelsea but only on a weekly short-term agreement.

FULHAM LOSE DAVIES



FITTING FAREWELL

HOW MANY football folk would like the profits when the giants of Liverpool and Manchester United turn out in a Testimonial match?

That's one of the biggest attractions in the world. But Liverpool and United gladly agreed to play the Testimonial in Belfast for retired Irish Football Association secretary Billy Drennan.

Drennan has been a great ambassador for Northern Ireland for

many years. His task has not been easy in the six strife-torn counties that make up Northern Ireland, but he made friends on all sides.

England's two greatest clubs were merely saying "thank you" on behalf of all UK Soccer when they played last week in Belfast to a full house.

GRIMES REJECTS BIG PAY RISE

ASHLEY GRIMES has turned down a rise of \$500 a week offered by Manchester United — he'd rather get less money but be assured of a first team place with another club.

Grimes is worried that, during his six years at Old Trafford, his career has suffered.

The Irish midfielder believes he would have a better chance of regular first team football if he played for a club not so well endowed with star players.

Ron Atkinson, United's manager, says: "Ashley has signed on a week-to-week basis. I'm still hoping he'll stay with United because he's a player I rate highly."

At 25, Grimes has plenty of top football ahead of him. He said: "Money comes into it but the im-

portant thing is playing. I just want to play football and I'll talk to any club interested in me."

Here's a strange note... the pay rise offered to Grimes is double or treble the full week's wage earned by many full-time professionals.



Steve Coppell (left) tackled by Alan Devonshire at an England training session.

SHADOW OVER COPPELL

A HEAVY shadow hangs over the future of England and Manchester United star Steve Coppell.

Last season was ruined for Coppell by injury. Now he's had a close season cartilage operation and is battling to return to fitness.

The depressing thought is that Coppell's future as an international star holds little promise.

FOR SPURS READ PROFIT

WHEN property tycoons Paul Bobroff and Irving Scholar virtually took control of Tottenham Hotspur for \$1,000,000, they made one of the most profitable deals in Soccer history.

The club is conservatively valued at \$8,000,000, including the magnificent White Hart Lane home ground.

Even Spurs training ground at Cheshunt is marketable at nearly \$4,000,000.

Bobroff and Scholar shrewdly bought half of Tottenham Hotspur's shares last year... and they're not selling even for a huge profit.

WALSH WANTED DESPITE FEE

PAUL WALSH, the Luton Town forward who toured Australia with England recently, still attracts attention from leading clubs.

In an attempt to keep potential buyers away, Luton slapped a transfer fee of \$1,200,000 on Walsh but that hasn't deterred Manchester United.

The Old Trafford team could get Spurs' Garth Crooks or Arsenal's Alan Sunderland for much less than Walsh would cost but they have the Luton youngster at the top of their shopping list.

A GENIUS, A CLOWN!

LEN SHACKLETON, one of the greatest players of all time, has retired as "Sunday People" football writer in the North East.

As a writer, "Shack" was almost as impish and entertaining as he was in his playing days with Bradford, Newcastle United and Sunderland.

His paper reproduced a few of his efforts, including:

"Newcastle have been unlucky with injuries this season — the players keep recovering."

"The first half of the match was so bad, the

sponsors asked for their ball back at half-time."

(Referring to a director) "His only sporting claim to fame was that he once had athlete's foot."

(Referring to a player) "His problem was that team mates kept passing to his wrong feet."

"I've heard of people selling dummies, but this club buys them."

ASTON VILLA would like to buy Mark Smith, Sheffield Wednesday's England Under 21 defender, but the clubs are having difficulty settling the deal.

Wednesday want a fee of nearly \$400,000 plus Dennis Mortimer, who had to be one of the finest midfielders in England.

FINANCIALLY depressed Charlton Athletic are trying a novel way to prepare for the new season.

The players are going to a country club in Cornwall for a get-together few days. They're footing the bill themselves!

NIGEL Spink, Aston Villa's young goalkeeper, is set to sign a new five-year contract at the club.

Spink earned his first international honours in June when he played for England against Australia.

WILKINS IS FREE

DEAN Wilkins, the 19-year-old brother of Manchester United skipper Ray Wilkins, has been transferred from QPR to Brighton. The younger Wilkins went on a free.

Brighton will have to pay much more to land another player in their sights. He's Alan Young of Sheffield United and he is valued at \$250,000.

TV CAUSES MATCH SWITCH

FULHAM are the first team to switch a match because of opposition from live television.

On Friday October 28, Watford will meet West Ham United in one of the scheduled TV live games. On the same night, Fulham are due to play Cardiff City.

Now Fulham v Cardiff City has been put back to the following Monday night.

BILLY McNEILL, Manchester City's new manager, hopes to sign midfielder Don Sullivan for the third time.

McNeill bought Sullivan for Clyde, then for Glasgow Celtic and he now wants him again.



CHANNON BACK TO NORWICH

MICK CHANNON is back in England after his guest stint with Newcastle KB United in Australia and is still regarded as first division material.

The 34 year old forward has been offered a one-year contract by Norwich City, the team he played for last season.